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Victoria's BIG mistake

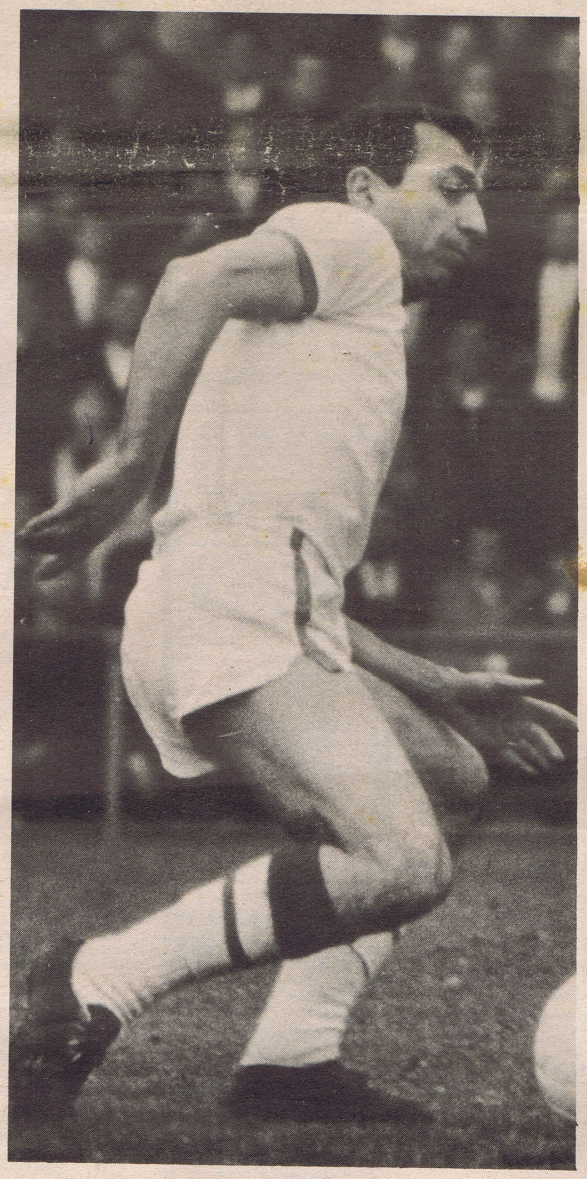
VICTORIA made one big mistake when it first met Manchester United — i didn't have a forward with the "killer instinct" to smash his way throug the mighty Red Devils' defence.

Victoria only needed this type of player to have caused the Soccer upset of the century.

Have they found the answer in Mike Jurecki, the Slavia inside forward? He has tons of experience having represented Victoria more than a dozen times.

He hasn't the speed he had two or three seasons ago, but he certainly knows how to play the Big Time game.

Fans will recall it was Mike who put up such a fine display against the Moscow Torpedoes a couple of years back.



CON NESTORIDES . . . Could he have scored the vital winning goal against the Red Devils?

Selector Lou de Bono believes has the answer to hold Manches United again tonight (Wednesd when they make their final appe ance at Olympic Park.

And Soccer lovers must abide his decision because he took on job nobody wanted.

V.S.F. officials all believed selector had Buckley's hope producing a winning team. Tha why none volunteered for the j

But what a change of heart af that unforgettable 1-1 draw w the United on June 11? Many m be envious of the praise bestow on the little man with the team after his success.

Fans, particularly Greeks, thought Victoria would have beaten the Red Devils if Con Nestorides had been in the team. They have every reason to think like this. after all, he was the State's top goalscorer last ye

PAGE ONE OPINIO

He has the "killer touch" wh is needed against a team of M chester United's calibre. He prov this with his hat-trick of go against Lions on Sunday.

Why wasn't he in the line-up? was suffering from a stomach set and was not available. But trained well last week.

Victoria tonight needs a strik of the Nestorides' class and in Mi Jurecki it may have the answ We shall see.

We all know Victoria has p vided a good team, in fact, the b team in the Commonwealth as as results are concerned.

There is certainly no better fence in the country than the o which drew with United.

Brilliant Frank Micic made a fi Victorian captain, attacking a defending with great anticipatio setting a good example to team-mates.

But he can't do it all. That's w he, Dick van Alphen, Billy Co and the other members of the re guard need a player up front wh going to strike — and strike har

Whether Victoria gets thrash tonight or goes down fighting li it did last week, nothing matte We've played our part and we' proved that Victorian Soccer reig supreme in Australasia.

MURDER: That's what it could be

By FRED VILLIERS

When you see Manchester United's line-up (on page 3) for their final game in Victoria tonight, your eyes will pop out.

The Red Devils have chosen their strongest possible side to "put Victoria in their place."

It could even be murder at Olympic Park as we've never seen such a line-up of football talent in this State before.

Just look at the forward line:

No. 7: George Best.
No. 8: Denis Law. *(Above)*
No. 9: Bobby Charlton.
No. 10: Brian Kidd.
No. 11: John Aston.

What a fantastic attack!

HUMILIATING DRAW

It was rumored from Sydney that the Manchester boys said they were going to put Victoria in their place after that humiliating 1-1 draw last week.

It looks as if Matt Busby and his men really mean business this time.

Dennis "The Menace" Law, was saved in the Sydney game last Sunday.

They said he was injured, but it's obvious he was being kept to make sure Victoria were not victorious tonight.

Murder or not, we're in for the greatest treat of Soccer we've ever seen at Olympic Park.

Be there for the kill!

● Turn to page 3 for Jim Cook's com ment on the Big Game.

Hellas think BIG -and act BIG

By GEORGE YELLAND

South Melbourne Hellas committee made a far-sighted and progressive move last Thursday.

They appointed Max Davidson assistant manager to the State League side, manager of the Reserves and all Junior teams.

The object is to unify the club, to institute a long-term policy of grooming youngsters for eventual stardom and to progressively reduce the need for importations.

Hellas committee, always to the fore with ideas for Soccer's devolpment, are to be complimented for adopting this courageous programme, which will inevitably pay off.

The decision was unanimous.

Messrs. Theo Marmaras, Ulysses and George Lucas, Jack Mitchell and the rest of the committee have shown that they are thinking BIG and more important, acting BIG.

It follows that every youngster, joining this great club, will have the opportunity to prove himself and rise to the top.

Imported players have been regarded as a stop gap measure, but realising that the future of the game in Australia lies with your youth, Hellas committee have worked hard with Juniors, finally adopting this great policy.

Hellas were fortunate, 15 months ago, to gain the services of newly-arrived Max. He has an extensive Soccer background in his native North of England and has devoted his time and energy to developing Juniors for the Middle Park club.

He has concentrated on discipline and development of natural ability. Referees bear testimony to the good, sporting behaviour of Hellas Junior teams and their accomplishments on the field are adequate testimony to the careful coaching they've received.

One significant offer, at the season's start, by the Hellas committee, was a FREE TRANSFER to any Junior not satisfied with the club. None took advantage of the offer and is a credit to the treatment of these boys of the club.

With a fine sense of the value and importance of publicity, the Hellas committee made this information available, exclusively, to Soccer News and we will bring further reports on this BIG plan as it develops.

Melbourne, Polonia and one or two other State League clubs have already adopted policies with Juniors.

Hellas's decision is the most ambitious yet and all Soccer lovers in Victoria wish them well and look forward to the results of this wonderful FIVE YEAR plan.

SURPRISE! McIvor (George Cross) and Circovic (J.U.S.T.) battle for the ball at Olympic Park. Photo: Uwe Kuessner.

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Hans hands it out to goalies

A man who served the Dutch Air Force in goal in England during World War II is now on active service in Victorian Soccer.

He is 48-year-old Hans DeHaan who is coaching the goalkeepers of the Hungarian club.

The name DeHaan is well-known in Soccer circles. Reinier, the Melbourne 19-year-old reserve goalie, is Han's son.

Hans said this week his son did not take up Soccer through any influence.

He came to him one day and said "Dad, I want to play football, the type of game you used to play".

Hans took his lad to the beach with a ball and they used to kick it around at weekends. Then a Slavia "scout" spotted him and he joined the Port Melbourne club.

Because of the travel involved, Reinier later transferred nearer to home. He joined Melbourne and is doing very well there.

When Hans came to Australia in the early '50's he played for the old South Yarra club in goal. He also had a spell with Wilhelmina but then he gave it away to concentrate on his career in advertising.

He is now production manager of Stewart Cowcher Advertising Pty. Ltd., of 622 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne.

Hans is back in the game once more and he coaches up to eight goalies at a time for Melbourne.

He took the job on because Melbourne coach Bill Walsh was too busy, and he wanted to help the game which had given him so much pleasure in his youth.

What a pity there are not more with the same spirit as Hans De Haan. The game certainly needs men like him.—FRED VILLIERS.

YOUR RADIO PROGRAMS

Your Saturday night radio sessions in Melbourne are —

3XY, 6 p.m. "Soccer Summary" with Alex Barr and Martyn Harris.

3KZ, 7.05 p.m. "Soccer Scores" with Gerald Edgar, Ken Johnson and Jim Cook.

Melb. lead on their home run

By JIM COOK

Coming up for the second half of the State League programme, Melbourne, who have won their last five games, head the honors list sitting with a clear one-point lead over Juventus.

But despite a crop of injuries, Juventus are in a challenging position as they head for home with eleven games to go.

King pins so long at the top, Hakoah have now slipped into third place and are followed in the four by Slavia.

At the other end, Alexander are still hugging the bottom but only a nose behind Makedonia. An early win for both is essential or it could be a straight-out fight between this pair as to who will go down.

So the scene is set for an exciting run home and it's not outside the bounds of possibility that the lead at the top and the position at the bottom could change hands several times before the final curtain comes down for the 1967 season.

Coming up for the 12th round here are the weekend fixtures:

Saturday: Polonia v. Alexander at Brooklyn Speedway; Croatia v. Slavia at Olympic Park; Melbourne v. Footscray JUST at St. Kilda Cricket Ground

Sunday: S.M. Hellas v. Juventus at Middle Park; Lions v. George Cross at Olympic Park; Preston Makedonia v. Hakoah at Collier Reserve.

Here is my spotlight on the clubs and players:

• Melbourne have won four games by the odd goal and lost two matches by the same margin. They are one of the least changed sides in the league and Ottie Abonyi is now the club's leading scorer with eight goals to his credit.

• Juventus have also won four games by the odd goal, have best defensive record together with Melbourne each having conceded only nine goals in 11 games. Top clubs scorers are Freak Torcque and Frank Barbazza who have both netted four times.

• Despite his failing to score against Melbourne, Jim Armstrong, the Hakoah inside forward, is still way out in front in the individual scoring race. Although the figure is subject to confirmation his goal tally so far is 13 in 11 games.

• Slavia have only once failed to score this season, one would hardly credit where they missed out on a 100 per cent record. Yes, you've guessed it, against Alexander, when they went down 2-0 in the sixth round.

• Hellas and Hakoah, with 25 goals each, were the most prolific scorers in the first half of the league programme. Elysses Kokinos, with ten goals, leads the Hellas' scorers. Con Nestorides with three against Lions became the first Hellas player to score a hat-trick this season.

• Jim McKay has scored six singles for Croatia this season, Billy Votjek also has six including a hat-trick.

• Polonia for inconsistency in their last three matches. They beat Hellas, only drew with Lions and were thrashed by Juventus.

• Normally one of the best defences in State League over the years, Footscray JUST show obvious signs of cracking in this department. In the first half of the season, they conceded 27 goals and only Alexander with 30 against show a worse record.

• Until last week, Lions' defensive record was almost on par with their attack. they had scored 13 for the loss of 14. A nap hand by Hellas without reply proves that both departments need improvement.

• George Cross who have collected four points from their last three games can reflect with some satisfaction that this is as many as they collected in their other seven matches. Since his signing from Alexander, Billy McIvor has scored in every game.

• In seven games for Makedonia since his transfer from Croatia, centre forward Ian Currie has scored seven goals.

• Alexander must be wondering when their luck will turn. They haven't collected a single point in their last five games and have given away the astronomical figure of 15 goals in this period in which they have only scored once — last weekend against Croatia.

• Results of the first round games which are repeated this weekend were: George Cross 0 Lions 3; Slavia 1 Croatia 4; Juventus 0 S.M. Hellas 0; Hakoah 3 Makedonia 0; Polonia 2 Alexander 0; Footscray JUST 2 Melbourne 1.

This is how I reckon this weekend's games will go:

GEORGE CROSS v LIONS

Caught flat-footed three times last weekend, George Cross defence must show vast improvement here. For not in every game will they succeed in fighting back to level the scores after being three down.

The forwards too must part to better advantage and cut out some selfish play.

Lions are not as good as they thought they were with that crushing defeat from Hellas and could crumble again.

MY TIP: George Cross.

POLONIA v. ALEXANDER

Polonia must show more consistency and better cover in defence when under pressure and especially against Alexander who are desperate for points.

However, if Polonia can regain their poise and refuse to be rattled their class should tell in the end.

MY TIP: Polonia.

SLAVIA v. CROATIA

With so little dividing the sides in overall skills and with both holding a superiority over each other in certain aspects of the game, the condition of the ground may have a strong bearing on the result.

In heavy and soft conditions the stronger and more experienced Slavia side could come out on top. Given dry conditions and a firm ground the fiery and action-packed Croatia could find things running their way.

MY TIP: Slavia.

JUVENTUS v. S.M. HELLAS

This could be a thriller. For with Juventus just waiting for a slip by Melbourne they can't afford the luxury of even allowing Hellas to take one point.

However, Hellas are obviously on the way back and bent on regaining their title. And with ground advantage and an attack back to its best they should match Juventus on all counts.

MY TIP: Hellas.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA v. HAKOAH

An obvious ground advantage here should favour Makedonia. However, much will depend on their ability to pace the game out so they don't run out of gas long before the finish.

Hakoah themselves with a powerfully potential side also suffer from this failing or at least showed it against Melbourne.

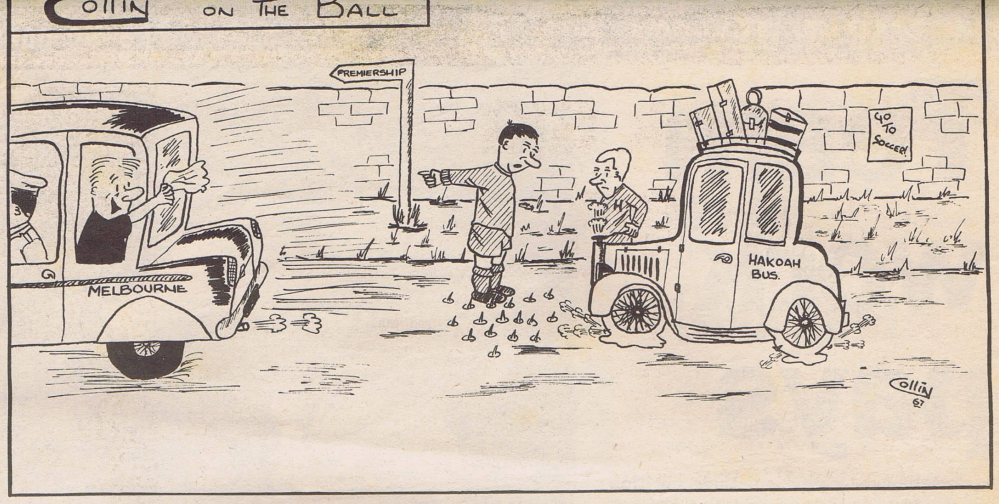
MY TIP: Makedonia.

FOOTSCRAY JUST v. MELBOURNE

Melbourne going from strength to strength are a fit and relaxed side whose open style of play gives them some advantage in dictating the game.

JUST, on the move, look better than the results they have been getting. But all too often they slow the game up in their efforts to play studied Soccer.

MY TIP: Melbourne.



"We will have a hard job overtaking them now."

SOCCER NEWS WRITERS TIP

12th Round	Polonia v. Alexander	Croatia v. Slavia	Melbourne v. J.U.S.T.	Hellas v. Juventus	Lions v. Geo. Cross	Makedonia v. Hakoah
J. COOK	Polonia	Slavia	Melbourne	Hellas	Geo. Cross	Makedonia
M. HARRIS	Polonia	Croatia	Melbourne	Hellas	Draw	Hakoah
S. KALUS	Polonia	Draw	Melbourne	Draw	Geo. Cross	Hakoah
"TAFFY"	Polonia	Draw	Melbourne	Hellas	Geo. Cross	Hakoah
F. VILLIERS	Polonia	Croatia	Melbourne	Hellas	Geo. Cross	Hakoah
G. YELLAND	Polonia	Slavia	Melbourne	Draw	Lions	Hakoah

Out for the kill!

By JIM COOK

Unconfirmed reports from the Manchester United camp, say the English champions will go flat out in their return game tonight (Wednesday) to thump the locals after having the cheeck and audacity to hold them to a 1-1 draw in the first game.

Bold words by United if true. And I have every reason to believe them after their inauspicious showing in the first game when Victoria with a part time outfit proved with few exceptions that Jack was as good as his master in almost every aspect of the game.

No excuses by Manchester United, who, after that first game, were sound enough to take away the credit from a gallant Victoria side whose total transfer value in the Australian market would amount to a mere $30,000 compared with the world price tag of around two million dollars for the "Red Devils".

However, not blinded by sentiment, I feel almost certain United can play and finish on a much better note than they did on their first visit. Jaded perhaps to some extent by their heavy English and European programme during the past season, they should be able to assert their superiority with their obvious advantage in class and full-time training and fitness.

I'm far from certain Victoria, or the State League XI, whichever you like to call them, can equal or emulate their display and result of the first game. However, some comparable effort by the locals will at least ensure it should be no runaway win for United.

Some reshuffling of the Victoria attack is certain since the inclusion of Mike Jurecki and the omission of Jim Armstrong. But I still maintain our attack could have been further strengthened had Billy Votjek been included together with team-mate, Jim McKay.

United announced yesterday they will field the following side:

1 Stepney, 2 Brennan, 3 Dunne, 4 Sadler, 5 Foulkes, 6 Stiles, 7 Best, 8 Law, 9 Charlton, 10 Kidd, 11 Aston.

The State League XI is:

1 Schroif, 2 Keith, 3 High, 4 Cook, 5 Van Alphen, 6 Randles, 7 Jurecki, 8 Abonyi, 9 Sanchez, 10 Micic, 11 McMeechan.

Summing-up: Seldom does the underdog turn up trumps at the second bite of the cherry. And I reckon this game will prove the rule rather than the exception. The local side to some extent missed the boat at making real history in the first game when they scorned as many real scoring chances as their famous opponents. With an obvious advantage in class and now knowing the calibre of the opposition, Manchester United could run out comfortable winners in this return match. However, most eyes will again be on Victoria in the hope they can repeat the splendid performance of the first game.

HOW THEY'LL LINE-UP

This is how they'll line up for the big game at Olympic Park, tonight (Wednesday).

STATE LEAGUE XI

1. WILLI SCHROIF

2. GEORGE KEITH	3. DAVID HIGH
4. BILLY COOK	5. DICK VAN ALPHEN
6. TOMMY RANDLES	7. MIKE JURECKI
8. FRANK MICIC	9. ATTILA ABONYI
10. JOHNNY SANCHEZ	11. H. McMEECHAN

Reserves:

12. JOHN ANDERSON HENRY SURMA (goal).

11. JOHN ASTON	10. BRIAN KIDD
9. BOBBY CHARLTON	8. DENIS LAW
7. GEORGE BEST	6. NOBBY STILES
5. BILL FOULKES	4. DAVE SADLER
3. TONY DUNNE	2. SHAY BRENAN

1. ALEX STEPNEY

Referee: Mr. T. Edwards.

Linesmen: Pat Ward, Stuart, Mellings.

Martyn Harris in 2nd place

Martyn Harris, our Metropolitan correspondent, with four correct forecasts, moved up to second position in the Soccer News' writers "King of the Tipsters" competition.

But Stephen Kalus who also had four correct forecasts, is still holding a lead with 22 points.

He is followed by Harris 20, Jim Cook 19, "Taffy" and George Yelland 18, and Fred Villiers 17.

17 GOALS

Manchester United have scored 17 goals and conceded two on their Australian tour.

In Queensland they won 7-0, Sydney 3-0, Victoria drew 1-1, won 3-0 in Newcastle and 3-1 over NSW.

United's goalscorers are: Bobby Charlton and George Best 5 each; Brian Kidd and Johnny Aston 2 each; Noel Cantwell, Denis Law and Bill Foulkes, one each.

MELB. CLUB MAN'S DEATH

Andrew Szanto, Melbourne-Hungaria Disciplinary chairman, died suddenly on Monday morning. He was 50.

Mr. Szanto who was part-owner of Cosmos Book Shop, in Acland Street, St. Kilda, had been an executive member of Melbourne for 10 years.

He had also served as club treasurer for four years.

He leaves a widow and two sons.

He will be a great loss to the club as well as the Hungarian community.

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Team work pays

Melbourne confirmed their position at the State League by defeating Hakoah in a hard-slogging battle at St. Kilda, on Saturday.

It was a triumph for concerted, non-stop effort, rather than individual or collective brilliance and they'll take some moving off their pinnacle on this showing.

Sunday saw one of the most amazing transformations, when George Cross, after playing the first half like a ship without a rudder, came back from 3-0 down, to level the scores with a terrific power display in the second half.

Melbourne 2 (Abonyi, Stoffels) Hakoah 1 (Monan).

Melbourne went in at half time, on level terms. Failure to capitalise on territorial advantage in their first half, gave one the impression of having shot their bolt.

It seemed probable that Hakoah, bigger and stronger, would take control in the heavy conditions. The reverse happened and the longer the game went, the more Melbourne emphasised their superiority.

Every member of the side gave his utmost, with Fowler and McGowan tackling like tigers and Alistair Scott taking complete command of mid-field.

The centre of the pitch churned up like a glue pot and frequently moves from both teams broke down, as passes pulled up short.

Abonyi's goal in the 32nd minute, from an oblique lob had a measure of good fortune about it, for it seemed as though the inside star intended to centre.

It was balanced, however, when Surma, who saved an almost certain equaliser in the dying minutes, made one of his rare misjudgments, in running too far out to collect a John O'Neill free kick, leaving Monan the simplest of chances to score.

Stoffels' winning goal was a beauty. A glorious through pass from Ian Shank was taken in stride and he streaked through to place the ball into the corner of the net as O'Hara advanced.

Hakoah's half back line didn't take command in their usual manner only Keith, van Alphen, and Petersen showed to advantage. Melbourne's speed and determination won the day. They played as a team, with complete understanding and dedication.

Teams:

MELBOURNE: Surma, Fowler, McGowan, Kemp, Scott, Gregal, Kurta, Abonyi, Shanks, Connolly and Myers. Clarke replaced Kemp at half-time.

HAKOAH: O'Hara, Keith, John O'Neill, Murney, van Alphen, Stenhouse, Fry, Armstrong, Monan, Anderson and Petersen.

Crowd: 2,358.

Referee: Mr. T. S. Edwards.

Polonia 1 (Kowalec), Juventus 4 (Millar, Bell 2, Barbazza).

Juventus turned on their best performance of the season at Olympic Park, on Saturday, thrashing Polonia 4-1. Always a difficult side to score against, they've frequently fallen down in attack.

Saturday saw a glittering display, of fast, attacking Soccer. Jimmy Millar, the best forward on view, showed the way with a blistering drive from 35 yards, in the 17th minute, which gave Majerczak no chance. Several other spectacular shots were either well saved or just missed.

After putting up a hard fight against a rampant opposition, Polonia caved in late in the game. Janczyk strove to keep his team together, Kowalec and Swoboda fought hard and Knot was the best of a defence, guilty of slack marking.

For Juventus, Millar, Barbazza and Bell were in great form. Closs, Scott and Della Rocca formed an impregnable barrier in mid-field and Sonsini and Gentry were an effective rearguard.

On this form, Juventus are the danger team to aspiring championship contenders.

Teams:

POLONIA: Majerczak, Knot, Marmur, Janczyk, Gross, Czerniecki, Swoboda, Adamczyk, Przyblski, Olinowski and Kowalec. Katolik replaced Czerniecki in the second half.

JUVENTUS: Voigt, Sonsini, Gentry, Closs, Della Rocca, Barbazza, Bell, Di Marchi, Millar and Corti.

Crowd: 2,531.

Referee: Mr. G. Harrison.

Croatia 2 (Jim McKay, Friganioc) Alexander 1 (Fokianos).

Alexander's new men, particularly Fokianos, gave them a lift and they provided spirited opposition for an indifferent Croatia. Croatia's in-and-out performances this season, have been one of the mysteries of the Victorian Soccer scene.

They started off in whirlwind fashion and took an early lead, when Jim McKay fastened on to a pass from Vojtek and slammed it home. New goalie Alexopolous was injured and replaced by, always reliable Azzopardi.

Gradually, Alexander came into the game, led by Fokianos and Rizos.

Although a goal down at the interval, Alexander fought on and had the best of the second period, without being able to notch the equaliser they so richly deserved.

On Saturday's showing, Alexander could quickly improve their league position.

For Croatia, Young played a great game, particularly in the second half when they were subjected to pressure. Jim McKay, Adlam and McArthur were the best of the remainder.

Rizos, a clever wing half, Fokianos and Papakalodoukas gave outstanding service to an improving Alexander.

Teams:

CROATIA: Young, Duncan, Mackay, Bot, Rau, Gunn, McArthur, Adlam, McMeechan, Vojtek, Jim Mackay and Friganovic. McMeechan was replaced by McIntyre at half-time.

ALEXANDER: Alexopolous, D. Xanthopolous, Glennie, Rizos, Kourkolakos, Papakalodoukas, Mangopolous, Kriaris, Papaconstantinou, Fokianos and Boudranis. Azzopardi replaced Alexopolous (injured), after 15 minutes.

Crowd: 1,334.

Referee: Mr. J. Bartolo.

Footscray-J.U.S.T. 3 (Adamovic, Hughes, Mratinovic) George Cross 3 (Robertson, Armour, McIvor).

Sunday's game at Olympic Park never rose to great heights of skill, but George Cross's fight back after conceding three goals in the first half, was as thrilling and determined a display, as one could wish to see.

They looked a beaten team at half-time. Their defence was as wide open as the prairie and as insecure as world peace, but what a transformation we saw in the first 20 minutes of that hectic second half.

Robertson scored the first with a terrific cross shot, Armour scrambled home the second with J.U.S.T.'s defence in a tangle and in the 17th minute, McIvor flashed home a great header from Armour's perfect centre. 0-3 to 3-3 in 17 stirring minutes, that reminded us of the George Cross of old.

If they can fully recapture this spirit and maintain it for the whole game, they could become a power again in State League.

It is incredible that a team of J.U.S.T.'s ability should be scrambling to hang on to a point, after holding such a half-time lead. Their defence panholding such a half-time lead. Their defence panicked in amazing style and they were thankful for the final whistle.

Billy Armour, with speed, ball control and a fine body swerve, was the games' outstanding forward, but Footscray inside left, Adamovic wasn't far behind. Both defences left much to be desired and must tighten up if they are to be serious challengers for honors.

Teams:

FOOTSCRAY-J.U.S.T.: S. Kazi, Handrick, Rusmir, Micic, Cirkovic, King, Mratinovic, Hughes, Adamovic and A. Kazi.

GEORGE CROSS: Snopkowski, Sacco, Morson, Sanchez, Hodgson, McPerson, Campbell, McIvor, Horsfall, Robertson, and Armour. Evans replaced Horsfall at half-time.

Crowd: 2,653.

Referee: Mr. D. Maitland.

Preston Makedonia 1 (Currie) Port Melb. Slavia 2 (Lockton, Reid).

On a wet and slippery pitch at Collier Street, Makedonia were unlucky to surrender both points, last Sunday. They played attractively and actually led at the interval by a 32nd minute goal from Currie.

It was not until late in the second half that Lockton, who had replaced Savage, equalised for Slavia and three minutes later, Reid swung in a surprise shot, catching Morks napping and stealing the game for the visitors.

The big crowd were kept on their toes throughout with the energetic efforts of both sides.

Jurecki, who has not yet learned to keep his mouth closed, had his name taken for repeatedly "advising" the Referee on his job and Tom Stankovic was booked for twice kicking the ball away, at a freekick. One would think they were too old for such childishness.

Teams:

PRESTON - MAKEDONIA: Morks, Barna, Howlett, Hamilton, Cairns, Balkanov, Boshkovski, Grozdanov, Currie, Stankovic and Short.

PORT MELBOURNE-SLAVIA: Schroif, Jones, High, Randles, Cook, McCorquodale, Savage, Jurecki, Reid, Kerr and Rainey. Lockton replaced Savage (injured), at half-time.

Crowd: 2,417.

Referee: Mr. E. Delange.

South Melbourne-Hellas 5 (Nestorides 3, Kokinos 2), Lions 0.

Middle Park was the stage for a comfortable victory for Hellas, on Sunday. However, Lions put on a good show of determination and no little skill, which deserved a better reward.

Had Lions taken more notice of the promptings of Peter Aldis, they'd have come out with more to show than a 5-0 defeat.

Lions would achieve more if they stuck to a plan of campaign, instead of being too individualistic. They have some really good players and Van Zeist was outstanding. Wilson on the wing never stops and Hillhouse is a fast and dangerous winger.

Walker and Aldis were terrific, but the practice of trying to work all attacks through Roseweir needs varying.

Nestorides was back to his brilliant best, besides scoring a hat-trick, his intelligent distribution kept Lions defence at full stretch.

Bedford was the best man on the field and must surely get a break with representative honors soon. I have never seen him play a bad game and his work in defence as well as attack, on Sunday, was without blemish.

Teams:

SOUTH MELBOURNE-HELLAS: Wenzl, Litopoulos, Kelly, Hatzicostas, Roussis, Bedford, Kokinos, Kambouropoulos, Nestorides, Ackerley, and Pyrgolios.

LIONS: Carmichael, Huston, McGrain, Murney, Walker, Aldis, Hillhouse, van Zeist, Roseweir, Schwartz and Wilson.

Crowd: 6,875.

Referee: Mr. R. Lamb.

BARRY HORSFALL (George Cross) shoots for goal at Olympic Park, on Sunday

Junior gift

As no Pressman forecast the correct result of the Manchester United v. Victoria game recently, the sweepstake money of $3.80 has been given to South of the Yarra juniors for promotion of the game.

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Noel bosses the players in England

From the players' angle, Cork-born Noel Cantwell, of Manchester United, is the most important man in English Soccer.

For as chairman of the English Professional Footballers' Association with over 2,500 members, Noel is the man who has to square up to the bosses whenever disputes arise between club and player.

As an active player, he's sometimes placed in a delicate position but not by his present club Manchestre United who have always been in the forefront for a better deal for the players.

Noel, however, has the advantage of having a first-class secretary in Cliff Lloyd in the P.F.A. and together with a management committee of players their duties are not only confined to disputes on wages and contracts.

One of the big problems which faces the PFA and used to be known simply as the Players' Union, is finding new clubs at the end of each season for the hundreds of professionals released by their clubs.

Here again the PFA do a mighty job as they record all particulars of the players freed and circulate them to clubs and associations all over the world.

Originally a left back with Cork Athletic, Noel had eight seasons with West Ham United before joining Manchester United, in 1960. One of the best utility players in British Soccer, he has played for Eire and is just as capable at centre forward, and centre half as he is at full back. He has also represented Eire at cricket.

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A GLIMPSE INTO MATT'S PAST

From humble beginnings in his native Lanarkshire, Scotland, Matt Busby, C.B.E., now one of the famous managers in world Soccer, joined Manchester City in 1928 on the recommendation of fellow Scot and captain of the Maine Road side, Jimmy McMullan.

Quickly establishing himself as a first team player at right half, he appeared with the City in two FA Cup Finals.

In the first in 1933, Matt had to be content with a loser's medal when Everton defeated the City by three clear goals. The following season, however, he was on the victor's side when his team won 2-1 against Portsmouth.

It is interesting to recap these two finals. For as well as Manchester City having some great players in their side the Everton and Portsmouth teams were also star-studded:

1932-33 F.A. Cup-Final. Everton 3 (Stein, Dean, Dunn), Manchester City 0.

Everton: Sagar, Cook, Cresswell, Britton, White, Thomson, Geldard, Dunn, Dean, Johnston, Stein.

Manchester City: Langford, Cann, Dale, Busby, Cowan, Bray, Toseland, Marshall, Herd, McMullan, Brook.

● Alex Herd, a famous Scot at centre forward for the City, is the father of David Herd, the Manchester United centre forward who broke his leg in the closing stages of the last English season and was unable to make the trip to Australia.

1933-34 F.A. Cup-Final. Manchester City 2 (Tilson 2), Portsmouth 1 (Rutherford).

Manchester City: Swift, Barnet, Dale, Busby, Cowan, Bray, Toseland, Marshall, Tilson, Herd, Brook.

● Frank Swift (Big Swiftie), who was a household name as a goalkeeper turned journalist at the finish of his Soccer career and was a victim of the Manchester United air disaster.

● Sam Cowan, the City centre half of both Cup-Final teams, died last year at the age of 62.

Portsmouth: Gilfillian, Mackie, Smith (W), Nichol, Allan, Thackeray, Worrall, Smith (J), Weddle, Easson, Rutherford.

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TWENTY-TWO YEARS WITH UNITED

One would have to do a lot of travelling to meet a nicer guy than Jack Crompton, the Manchester United trainer, who has given the club 22 years' service in the capacity of player and trainer.

His pleasant manner and understanding stamp him as one of Soccer's gentlemen and while he has been in Melbourne he has most willingly imparted a lot of wisdom and hints on training which should be most beneficial to our players and clubs.

A top class goalkeeper during his playing career in which he had a long stretch with United and two seasons with Luton Town, he has an unquenchable knowledge of all the modern techniques in training.

Jack won an F.A. Cup Winners' medal with United in 1948 when they beat a Blackpool side which included Stanley Mathews and Hugh Kelly who also toured Australia with the Seasiders in 1958.

At left back for Manchester United on that occasion was John Aston, who is now the team coach and the father of John Aston who played outside left in the first game against Victoria.

Paddy Sloan, the former South Melbourne Hellas and Juventus coach, played in the same Manchester United side as Jack Crompton, in 1945-46.

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ACKERLEY PLAYED WITH BEST

Ernie Ackerley, the S.M. Hellas inside forward, played alongside the fabulous George Best in 1961-62 in the reserve side of Manchester United before the Irish international became a first team regular.

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BOBBY WOULDN'T SAY

After Victoria's draw with Manchester United in the first game, I asked the great Bobby Charlton, the famous English international and star of the 1966 World Cup series, how he would compare the Victorian team with those in any of the English four leagues.

Bobby wouldn't commit himself.

But he did say he was disappointed with United's performance and also his game in that memorable 1-1 draw.

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DAVID JACK'S SON WRITES IN SYDNEY

A personal friend of many of the Manchester United officials and players is Sydney Sun Soccer writer, David Jack, who has been moving around with the team on their tour of Australia.

David who arrived in Australia six months ago and has settled in Sydney, is the son of that former all-time Soccer great, David Jack, who was a household name with Arsenal in the late 20's and early 30's.

A few years ago, David, junior, wrote the Soccer book entitled "The Matt Busby Story".

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EDDIE PLAYED WITH PAT

One local player was disappointed Pat Crerand, the wing half on account of an injury, didn't turn out in the first game against Victoria.

He was Eddie Higgins, the former Juventus winger who is now one of the most prolific scorers in the first division with the Triestina side making a strong bid for promotion.

Eddie played with Pat in Scottish Junior Soccer with Duntocher Hibs.

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FANS WANT TO SEE LAW IN ACTION

It will be a big disappointment for Victorian Soccer fans if Denis Law, the Aberdeen-born Scottish international forward of Manchester United, isn't included in the visitors' line-up tonight (Wednesday) at Olympic Park.

As the most expensive player in British Soccer and one of the best in the world Soccer all the locals hope he'll have recovered from his injury and take his place in the United side for at least half a game. However, we can only wait and see.

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They called ← him Georgina

George Best (pictured at Olympic Park) hasn't always been called "George", oh no!

Manchester United's fantastic winger, with his Beatle haircut annoys some fans. So much so that they've dubbed him "Georgina".

George recently mentioned this in a series in London's biggest selling weekly newspaper, the "News of the World".

Fans christened him at White Hart Lane, the home of Tottenham Hotspur.

MANCHESTER IRISHMAN

Seamus Brennan is one of the rare band of top class professionals who although born in one country is eligible to play for another.

Born in Manchester, his Irish parentage gave him the right to play for Eire in accordance with international rules.

One of the original "Busby Babes", he was thrust into the United team after the Munich air disaster of 1958. Originally an inside forward, he made his Cup-tie debut at outside left two weeks after Munich and scored two goals in that historic match against Sheffield Wednesday when United won 3-0.

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A GREAT CLUB RECORD

Veteran of the Manchester United party is Bill Foulkes, originally a full back who turned centre half and who has played over 500 league games and more than 60 FA cup-ties in his 15 years' service with the club.

A survivor with Matt Busby and Bobby Charlton of the Munich tragedy, Bill took over the captaincy after that great side had been shattered and broken up. And shortly after he was the skipper of that gallant bid to bring the FA Cup to Manchester.

He had to make three visits to Wembley with United before he got an FA winner's medal and that was in 1963 when his team beat Leicester City 3-1.

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MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE HE'S A LONDONER

Over the years, Manchester United have always had a strong contingent of Midland, North of England, Irish and Scottish players in their first team. Londoners have been few and far between.

One exception in the side at present in Australia, is goalkeeper Alex Stepney who made his mark with Millwall before transferring to Chelsea in May 1966 for $125,000.

In September of the same year and after having played only one first team game, Chelsea, with Peter Bonetti on their books, sold the Londoner to United for $137,000.

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THE QUIET MAN

Sometimes overshadowed but highly respected for his wisdom and knowledge by all at Old Trafford, is Jimmy Murphy, the assistant manager. He is a former West Bromwich Albion player and Welsh internationalist.

Jimmy did a wonderful job after Munich when he acted as caretaker manager for Busby who was fighting for his life in a German hospital.

It is typical of his loyalty to United he has remained with the club so many years to play second fiddle when he could, had he wanted, taken a manager's post with many of England's leading first division sides.

A STAR IS BEING BORN

Despite only making a second half appearance in their first game with Victoria, the youngest member of the visitor's party, Brian Kidd, who is only 17, showed in 45 minutes play he's obviously a youngster with great possibilities.

I was so impressed with his display in which he showed undoubted talent and skills that should his improvement be maintained and barring injuries he has strong possibilities of being a future English international. In fact it wouldn't surprise me if he makes the England team in the 1970 World Cup finals, in Mexico.

FRANZ TOP MAN IN GERMANY

Those who watched the TV coverage of the World Cup series or have been to see the film "Goal", will remember one of the biggest names in the competition, Franz Beckenbauer, the 21-year-old wing half, of West Germany.

He was the player who came out of the World Cup with a reputation only second to Eusebio.

A member of the Bayern Munich team which recently won the European Cup-Winners Cup, Franz has rocketed into the $375,000 class and is now the most valuable Soccer property in West Germany.

As the pin-up boy of West German Soccer, he's so popular he recently made a recording as a pop singer which went over well. He's also Germany's current "Footballer of the Year."

Recently he was offered a fantastic figure to sign a two-year contract with Toronto Falcons in the U.S. Professional League, the same club who recently signed Bill Brown, the former Tottenham Hotspur and Scotland goalkeeper.

He turned it down and has been the target for Inter Milan who, however, at the moment can't make a firm offer until the Italian ban on foreign players is lifted.

Meantime Franz has signed a new three-year contract with his club, Bayern Munich and German followers are delighted they'll see more of him — **Jim Cook.**

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GIANT MAN! J.U.S.T. keeper S. KAZI appears to be reaching from one goal post to the other, with room to spare. Don't worry, the goal is still the same size only the telephoto lens made it look smaller at Olympic Park on Sunday. — Photo: Uwe Kuessner.

Barry Horsfall (George Cross), Billy Rice and Frank Micic, both of J.U.S.T., in a goalmouth scramble.

McIVOR (George Cross) duels for the ball with CIRCOVIC (J.U.S.T.) at Olympic Park.

SOUTH SUNSHINE Junior Club was formed in 1965 with two under 10 teams: Wallabies and Kangaroos. This year the club is running three teams: under 8, under 10 and under 12. Our pictures show (1) South Sunshine team under 10 years, which recently defeated Altona boys, 5-0. (2) South Sunshine coach John Vander-Sanden and three most promising juniors: Wayne Goring and brothers Steven and John Maginness. (3) South Sunshine centre forward John Stewart, in action.

JUNIOR SOCCER NEWS

Ringwood City win U-14 Cup

Ringwood City won the Hungaria Cup Under-14 competition organised by Melbourne S.C. at Elwood.

Ringwood won with the impressive goal average of 13-0 after defeating Dandenong, Frankston and Melbourne.

Frankston played well but had no defence against consistent play from Allan Pongho, Richard Bens and Steven Kelly.

Result: 1 Ringwood City; 2 Frankston; 3 Dandenong; 4 Melbourne.

Mr. J. Boyd did a good job of organising.

SOUTH OF THE YARRA

Under 12: Frankston 1, Langwarrin 0; Hakoah 1, Springvale 1; Ringwood City "A" 11, Bayswater 1;

Under 14: Bayswater 17, Healesville 0; Pines "B" 2, Doncaster 2; Ringwood City w.o., Langwarrin l.p.; Salesian College 0, South Melbourne 6; Doveton 4, Dandenong 0; Pines "A" v. Brighton (postponed); Sandringham "B" 1, Sandringham "A" 10; Moorabbin 8, Melbourne 1.

Under 16: Bayswater 4, Ringwood City 5; Springvale 2, Sandringham 0; Waverley 4, Frankston 4; Brighton 2, Langwarrin 3; Melbourne 10, Juventus 0; Slavia 2, South Melbourne 2.

Under 18: Hakoah 0, Dandenong 1, South Melbourne 0, Slavia 2.

Open Age: Ringwood City 7, Chadston 2; Waverley 5, Langwarrin 3.

Under 10: Frankston Pines 0, Melbourne 0; Melbourne 0, Hakoah 4.

Under 10: Hakoah defeated Melbourne 4-0. Hakoah's defence was superb and never gave the Melbourne forwards any chance. Hakoah's forwards led by Jeffrey Kramer, took advantage to score well. Hakoah 4 (scorers: Gary Mrocki 2, Jeffrey Kramer, Mark Stimar. Best: Jeffrey Kramer, David Efron, Alexander Zwier, John Fishbein), def. Melbourne 0.

Under 12: Hakoah drew with Springvale 1-1. This game was a battle of defences with Springvale goalie Peter Sierocinski starring. After a scoreless first half Springvale took the lead when Joop van de Garde scored. Hakoah equalised when Steven Spicer converted a penalty. Best: Hakoah, Mark Feldpicer, Danny Curtis and Steven Spicer. Springvale, Peter Sierocinski, Nimal Wickramasinge and Bobby Kennedy.

Under 18: Dandenong d. Hakoah 1-0. Hakoah had many chances to score in the first half but were let down by poor finishing in front of goal. Hakoah had bad luck in the second half when Lomax and Jacobs were injured. Although these players remained on the field, Hakoah were virtually playing with nine men which enabled Dandenong to get the upper hand and score the only goal in the last minutes. Best: Hakoah, Dragnes, Gillespie, Weiss, Lomax (until injured) and Brest.

WESTERN SUBURBS

Under 18: Footscray - J.U.S.T. 7 (Marcinkiewicz 3, Simic 2, Evans, Lever) d. East St. Albans-Sokil 1 (Bakalowski). Best — J.U.S.T.: A. Lindberg, R. Borojevic, V. Nikolic. East St. Albans: F. Attard, O'Grady, C. Schneider.

Ardeer 10 (Kozara 4, Wrobel 3, Klimecki 2, Spitteri) d. George Cross 0. Best — Ardeer: J. Rolnik, T. Kozara, K. Cympel.

Standing: Footscray - J.U.S.T. 14 points, Croatia 13, Ardeer 11, George Cross 10, East St. Albans 8, Northcote 6, R.A.A.F. 2.

Under 16: Altona 0 lost to Footscray - J.U.S.T. 2 (Kupinic 2). Best — Altona: D. McNeill, D. Stuttard, M. Micevski; J.U.S.T.: A. Todorovic, S. Frantzeskos, P. Distefano.

West Newport-Lechia 3 (Chodan 2, Giurisin) d. Sunshine Heights 0. Best—West Newport: D. Gray, L. Chodan, V. Bieniek. Sunshine Heights: Franzone, D. Joyce, Adamidis.

Sunshine City 1 lost to Newport 2 (Sobczyk, Zammit). Best — Newport: W. Kinder, J. Klaniscek, D. Millar.

Standing: Ardeer-Polonia 20, Newport 19, West Newport 17, Sunshine City 16, J.U.S.T. 12, St. Albans 8, Sunshine Heights 7, Altona 7.

Under 14: Deer Park - I.C.I. 3 (Stobinski 2, Wood) d. Ajax 0. Best — Deer Park: E. Stobinski, U. Slwinski, C. Sita; Ajax: C. Hagenhofer, A. Lebbink, A. Newton.

Sunshine Heights 0 lost to J.U.S.T. 7 (Dosen 5, Heights: C. Fsadni, C. Picioane, Scarpaci). Best—Grixti, P. Previti; J.U.S.T.: P. Divitarov, A. Dosen, P. Hojsan.

St. Albans 1 (Parker) lost to Keilor City 3. Best —St. Albans: Scheurer, D. Parker, G. Jaquin.

Ardeer 2 (Skilnik, Adamcewicz) drew with Brooklyn Hostel 2. Best — Ardeer: J. Niemczyk, K. Sikorski, M. Skilnik.

Corio-Geelong 1 walk over Newport 0.

Altona 0 lost to Sunshine City 9. Best — Altona: M. Micevski, J. Collins, D. Collins.

Standing: Footscray - J.U.S.T. 24, Sunshine City 21, Brooklyn Hostel 18, Ardeer 13, Altona 12, Keilor City 11, Deer Park-I.C.I. 10, Geelong-Corio 9, Sunshine Heights 9, Newport 8, Ajax 5, St. Albans 0.

Under 12: Altona "A" (Little 5, Spencer, Reardon, own goal) d. Newport 1 (Romic). Best — Altona "A": N. Little, A. Spencer, G. Bebend; Newport: N. Sussa, S. Wilkinson, D. Romic. Altona "B" 0 lost to St. Albans 2 (Kosmauskas, Beller). Best — Altona "B": A. Christie, J. Daly, T. Moran; St. Albans: R. Kosmauskas, R. Beller, R. Orlikowski.

South Sunshine 1 (Evans) d. Keilor City 0. Best — South Sunshine: D. Tanner, J. Maginness, E. Evans.

Lechia-West Newport 1 (T. Lipiarski) drew with J.U.S.T. Whites 1 (Mukavec). Best — Lechia: K. Brophy, A. Carabott, R. Lipiarski; J.U.S.T.: M. Haywood, I. Mukavec, S. Roczczenko.

Standing: Altona "A" 22, Sunshine City "A" 19, Altona Hostel 19, Sunshine City "B" 16, J.U.S.T. Whites 13, South Sunshine 10, West Newport-Lechia 9, Keilor City 9, Newport 8, St. Albans 8, J.U.S.T. Blues 6, Altona "B" 1.

Under 10: Footscray - J.U.S.T. 3 (Kostromin 3) d. St. Albans "A" 2 (Abela, Fitzgerald). Best—J.U.S.T.: K. Dowd, H. Dilizza, V. Kostromin; St. Albans "A": T. Rozak, D. Abela, K. Brooks.

South Sunshine 10 (J. Stewart 5, J. Maginness 3, M. Emand, G. Attroll) d. St. Albans "B" 0. Best — South Sunshine: J. Stewart, J. Maginness, G. Attrol, P. Worn; St. Albans "B": G. Barter, C. Viola, T. Lombardi.

Altona 2 (Van der Poel 2) d. Altona "C" 0. Best — Altona: M. Van der Poel, N. Totney, M. Pacifici; Altona "C": K. McEwan, R. Ozga, F. Beller.

Sunshine Heights 1 lost to Sunshine City 3.

Standing: Sunshine City 16, Sunshine Heights 11, J.U.S.T. 11, St. Albans "A" 10, South Sunshine 8, Altona 5, St. Albans "B" 2, St. Albans "C" 1.

REFEREES' WIN

Referees beat Ferntree Gully Reserves 4-1 last weekend. Ref's goalscorers: J. Dixon, L. Stafrace, G. Mackintosh, L. Maghee.

STATE LEAGUE CLUB GROUNDS

By JIM COOK

Since the big games with Scotland and Manchester United, many Victorians have been so impressed they intend to look in at State League and Meropolitan games in future.

Many are not clear, however, on the Soccer set-up and especially on the location of the grounds so for their benefit here are the State League teams and the location of their grounds:

Alexander: Campbell Reserve, Moreland Road, Moreland. Until August 5, playing their home games at Olympic Park.

Croatia: Maribyrnong Reserve, Raleighs Rd., Maribyrnong.

Footscray-J.U.S.T.: Schintler Reserve, New Footscray Road, Footscray.

George Cross: Selwyn Park, Selwyn Street, Sunshine.

Hakoah: Soccer Stadium, Albert Park.

Juventus: St. Kilda Cricket Ground.

U.S.C. Lions: Montgomery Park, Albion St., Essendon.

Melbourne H.S.C.: St. Kilda Cricket Ground.

Polonia: New Brooklyn Speedway, Geelong Road, Brooklyn.

Preston Makedonia: Collier Reserve, Collier Street, Preston.

Port Melbourne Slavia: S.S. Anderson Oval, Murphy Reserve, Williamstown Rd., Port Melbourne.

South Melbourne Hellas: Middle Park Soccer Stadium, Oughty Drive, Middle Park.

In a future issue we'll publish First and Second Division ground locations followed by those of the Third and Fourth Divisions.

OLIPHANT'S NEW JOB

By FRED VILLIERS

Victoria's John Oliphant has been appointed treasurer of the Australian Soccer Federation.

Sydney officials, who were badly outvoted, failed to announce details of Mr. Oliphant's victory over Tom Grimson, of NSW, to the local Press after last Saturday's executive meeting of the Australian Federation.

Mr. Grimson has held the position for the last three years.

Voting in favour of Mr. Oliphant was 5-3.

Such an appointment was a remarkable break through for Mr. Oliphant — and Victoria, who was in danger of suspension by the A.S.F. a couple of years ago following a complaint from Manchester City over the alleged "poaching" of a player.

An inquiry was held into the dispute which resulted in Mr. Oliphant being exonerated.

He is certain to figure in a number of clashes in future meetings with his old rival, Jim Bayutti, the vice-president of the Australian Federation.

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letters

SIR,—Re George Yelland's argument to registration of Juniors. I have sympathy with the case of his son, but that is not the fault of the registration, but the unsportsmanship of the club he joined (one of the glamor clubs) that was one of the reasons for the registration of Juniors in its present form, so it becomes a Senior rule, not a Junior rule. If he does not know and does not think it was worth mentioning in his article there are rules safeguarding Juniors.

(1) If a Junior is not able to get a game with the club he is registered with he is able to get a free transfer, which exposes the Senior Registration (2). If a player lives in another district a Junior is able to get a transfer. (3) If a Junior is registered with a club that for some reason cannot run a team in his age group, he is able to get a permit to play in any club of his particular age group.

I do not like the registration of Juniors in this form, but I think Mr. Yelland has the British outlook on Soccer, where Juniors just develop and are easily picked up, from my nearly 40 years of Junior Soccer and comparing both types of registration I think the Junior Federations are doing a good job.

They should not be interfered with by outside bodies as Mr. Yelland says himself Junior Soccer wants more adults to look after them, so please don't chase away the few that are doing the job, and out of pocket at that.

Most of the Metropolitan clubs owe their survival to Juniors' registration. Without this form of registration the glamor clubs would scoop the pool of the good Juniors after money and time was spent on them. A boy is naturally fickle — he often wants changes — that does not last.

Mr Yelland should know there is a scarcity of boys for Junior Soccer and many a good Junior is able to keep a side together until others improve. Soccer wants spectators as well as players, and if a Junior does not make the grade he has at least knowledge of the rules and can enjoy watching.

I think Mr Yelland should crusade for more finance for Juniors from the Federation, and for publicity of the Juniors. Soccer is not "big time" and still has the game to sell, therefore we are expected to pay for our advancement. When we are established, sponsors will come to the game. The daily Press gives little publicity to Junior Soccer because we have nothing to offer but, organise something worthwhile such as clinics and free showing of pictures of Soccer at schools and youth clubs, visual advertisements sink in better, the cry is Soccer will get nowhere until we get the Australian boys.

But I am afraid it is only a cry, the Senior Federation are too much concerned about winning matches for their own particular club.

W. BOWMAN,
Melbourne.

SIR — I am very pleased with the way your wonderful Soccer News keeps fans well informed. Especially last week when two points of importance were dealt with. First the disgusting and anti-Soccer step taken by the A.S.F.

I, my wife, and 16-year-old and 11-year-old sons and their cousin of nine—boys with Soccer aspirations — went to Olympic Park and to our surprise we were forced to pay full price for the boys. This was for mine, plain robbery. If I knew we had to pay for the boys I wouldn't have attended the game. This is certainly not the way to attract youngsters.

The second point is referees which Jim Cook wrote about. We remember Hellas v. Hakoah (Sydney), the Makedonia v. Juventus games, etc. I would like to see referees being given votes week after week for their work. I certainly do not like Mr. Hosie's refereeing — John Pantzopoulos, 11 Lydia St., Nth. Campbellfield.

Sir — Recently the teacher of the State School where my little boy attends sent me a letter which was written the following: "I feel that I must insist that he participates." In what? Well, in that jungle law mix-up which for some strange unknown reason is falsely called "football". They were aware at school of my objection to that because last year my boy got hurt.

You might ask my reaction and what I did. I went to the school and told the teacher that he had no right to force my boy to play because he has the support of the A.N.F.C. or the V.F.L. I reported the matter to the Education Department and the result was most satisfying. Now my child will have nothing to do with this "extermination fight, that no-rules jungle mix-up."

I believe if every parent takes the same action, the narrow - minded, one - eyed teachers will behave themselves. I believe with the proper guidance we can save our children from this jungle — John Pantzopoulos, 11 Lydia Ave, North Campbellfield.

SIR — Victoria's Soccer fans' response to the shabby treatment handed out by the A.S.F. supported by "Soccer News" and other Soccer commentators in Victoria, is to be commended.

Assuming that 60 per cent of the 23,000 crowd which attended the Australia-Scotland match were Scots or other British spectators, who do not normally attend State League games, it was quite a flop.

How on earth could any of you support such a fiasco when Scotland (?) could not field one class player in their matches in Australia?

What's the use of reporting that they were all 1st Division players (Blackpool played in the top Division last year!) and professionals.

Were not Everton, Rome and Chelsea professional sides? Why all the fuss now?

Soccer World in Sydney gave a correct account of which class of players Scotland was fielding. Why not in Victoria?

When is this hood-winking going to stop? Alex Barr said on the air that it was not Scotland being fourth rate, but Australia was first-class! Jim Bayutti was reported to say that Australia had three world-class players, "Soccer News" reported after the match that Australia has got to world class. Could you please define the words "world class"? Surely there is no Law, Seeler, Charlton, Pele, Eusebio, Suarez, Albert, Schnellinger, Bremner, Wallace, Banks, etc., in the Aussie team?

Surely after last year's World Cup flop Soccer writers over here should have learnt their lesson, that you can fool some, but not all of them all the time. Pat Hughes, Ackerly, etc., tried their luck back home last year, but could not even get a kick with a 4th Division team. This proves beyond doubt that Soccer over here is of a low standard, so why send Scotland here?

That Scotland team was no better than a select 4th Division side in England, why name it Scotland and not Scotland "B" XI.

Charles Scerri, 14 Davey St., Sunshine.

SIR — Hail the "Blue Angels", as so suitably nicknamed by a leading Aussie Rules scribe (Sun, 12/6/67).

I "walked on air" from Olympic Park yesterday and have not yet stopped singing the praises of our Victorian Team. I am an English woman, migrated 1959 (lately a grandma) and have been a faithful follower of a State League club side for many years, also a staunch supporter of Victorian and Australian representative teams, more so since Australia fought so gallantly (hampered by sickness and injuries) in Korea last year — only to go down to a side which showed their class in England with the last 16 teams in the World Cup.

After Sunday's showing, I only hope the gallant eleven will fair even better on Wednesday. I feel there can be no doubt of the future of Soccer in Australia. However, I found at least one answer to your paper's oft-quoted query — "Where is the British Migrant?"

It was a remark I made to all and sundry at the Big Game when Manchester United scored after an hour's play, that "it had taken them long enough"! As we had expected many goals from the mighty Red Devils.

My remark was taken up by another English lady barracking for the visitors. When I said, "I follow these boys every week — do you?" I was told that the lady would not "waste her money". How's that for prejudice and/or blind ignorance.

How many ex-Soccer followers are there from the old country who hold such a narrow view after Sunday's great game?

Credit must be given to Mike de Bruckyere, if it was, indeed, he who instilled in these boys the courage and tenacity they showed in holding "United" and with an ounce of luck could have beaten them. The defence could not be faulted and no words of mine can describe the brilliance of Willi Schroif, on the day.

However, could one small female voice add to the many, surely, who ask Mr. Lou de Bono to give further thought to the forwards where, try as he may, Jim Armstrong is not State team material, and how about a re-shuffle to give young Leo Damianakos a go at left-wing where he is so brilliant.

"Carn the Blue Angels"!

Yours, (Mrs.) Betty Johnson, 7-46 Raleigh St., Windsor, S.1.

SIR — Why is it that North of Yarra junior results and league tables are not published in Soccer News? I buy and read your paper each week and think it's great. I was pleased when I saw the "Junior Soccer News" page but disappointed when it was all South of Yarra and Western Suburbs. I play under-16's for Lions and would like to know where we stand on the ladder — Lysenko, 6 McMahons Rd., Nth. Coburg.

(We don't publish North of Yarra Leagues because the secretary does not submit them to us. Other junior leagues do — Ed.).

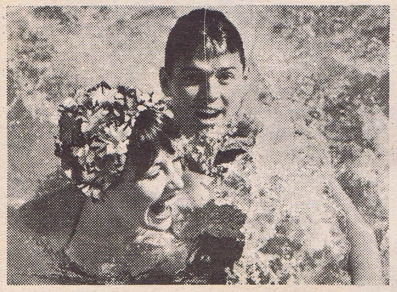
SIR — In reply to "South of Yarra have Problems" in Soccer News, 8th June. South of Yarra do have problems, just as any other administration has. The protests are due to clubs, who should know better, not abiding by the rules of the competition.

This has been a problem and a great source of annoyance over the years. With the introduction of the passport system three years ago, it was anticipated all malpractice would cease, in the main this is so, but some clubs think they are bigger than the Federation, so, the result is as stated by Mr. S. Kalus, they must be penalised to teach them a lesson.

I would hate to return to the conditions of five years ago, when the teams on top of the ladder, and half way down, were State league and the smaller clubs were just punching bags for them. My point can be made by study of the league tables published alongside the heading which prompted this letter.

Mr. Yelland, there is a lot of merit in what you say, with regard to junior registrations, but please hear the other side of the story from the mugs who try to run junior Soccer teams for no gain. We smaller teams would lose all our good players at the end of every season, putting us right back where we have crawled from.

Yours, Alex R. Hubbard, secretary/manager / coach, Waverley High School Soccer team, 20 Margot Street, Chadstone, S.E. 10.



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George meets an old flame

Last night attractive brunette, Judith Ingram, met an old boy friend in Melbourne — Manchester United's star George Best.

Judith, nee Davenport, used to step out with George when she lived in Manchester. Now she's married to Colin Ingram, our cartoonist, and lives at Essendon.

Judith, who has only been in Australia a few months, had much to tell George when she "did the town with him."

But it wasn't like old times. Husband Colin tagged along on this occasion — just for fun.

LONG range tip for this year's Dockerty Cup final from Wilhelmina president, John van Hoboken — Wilhelmina.

WHAT'S the secret to Melbourne's success? Coach Bill Walsh says "Training, training, training — three times a week."

MANCHESTER United officials spoke highly of Australia's hospitality at a Melbourne reception for the club on Monday night. John Gorton, VSF vice-president, on behalf of Victoria, presented gifts to United directors. They in turn gave gifts to VSF men including secretary Gerald Edgar.

STATEMENT that Soccer would move into State Schools in a big way in Victoria is no idle boast by VSF chairman, Michael Weinstein. He told me yesterday this is fact, not fiction. And in a few weeks a BIG announcement will be made about our juniors which will not only shock Soccer fans, but members of the opposition too. Wait for it.

ANOTHER "first" for Sydney. They had a little more than 200 fans at the Prague v. South Coast game last week-end!

I CAN'T understand the ASF's attitude in killing the Australia Cup this year. They say it's because of the Asian tour. But this isn't good enough. Soccer is the only football code with a true national contest and to stop it now will be fatal. Especially on top of these two big tours which we've just seen. They say they can't find a sponsor but surely the ASF can provide the money. After the big build up of the tours, we're going backwards if we scrap the Cup.

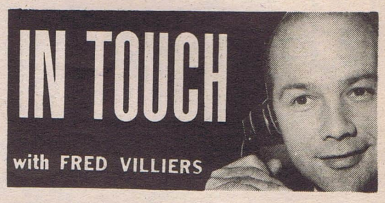
READER John Borg has just left for Malta for nine week's holiday. He gave us $2 to have Soccer News posted to him while he's away. "I can't live without it", he told us.

ROY KEMP TO TRANSFER

Roy Kemp, the former Falkirk, St. Mirren and Carlisle inside forward or winger, who joined Croatia last season and has played a considerable number of first team games, will be allowed to transfer to another club if the right offer is received.

Roy, who had a season in Welsh non-league Soccer before coming to Australia, resides at 67 Stanhope St., Malvern. Phone 50-1456.

An experienced player in his mid twenties, Kemp should be a good capture for a club needing a forward.



WHO is the best — Victoria or N.S.W.? Take N.S.W.'s goal aggregate against Manchester United — 6-1. In Victoria it's 1-1. But tonight will tell. If Victoria put on another show to-night like they did last week it could prove something. But just in case New South Welshmen are not completely satisfied, they'd better send their boys down to Olympic Park where we'll settle the argument on the field of play.

LEN YOUNG, Slavia's team manager, had a special reason for meeting Matt Busby last week-end. Len and Matt played in the only FA Cup Final that wasn't played at Wembley, during the war years, 1943, when Reading beat Brentford 3-2 at Stamford Bridge, Chelsea's ground. Len played centre half, Matt right half and the famous Joe Mercer, was on the left. Fans may remember Len was brought out from England by the old Soccer Association as Victorian junior coach about 12 years ago. What did he think of the 1-1 draw against the Red Devils? "Magnificent."

MELBOURNE are still top dogs. For those who complain about foreign names in State League Soccer, you couldn't have a more Australian-sounding name than this, could you?

POINTS TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melbourne	8	1	2	21	9	17
Juventus	7	2	2	19	9	16
Hakoah	6	2	3	25	12	14
Slavia	6	2	3	24	18	14
Hellas	5	3	3	25	16	13
Croatia	5	2	4	19	15	12
Polonia	5	1	5	19	18	11
J.U.S.T.	5	1	5	18	27	11
Lions	3	2	6	13	19	8
George Cross	2	3	6	17	24	7
Makedonia	2	1	8	15	27	5
Alexander	2	0	9	9	30	4

TED LEZON isn't always a "Big Bad Man" who sits behind the table at Metropolitan Disciplinary Committee meetings dishing out sentences to ungentlemanly players. Last week he did a good turn as a first-aid man when Rosebud secretary W. Cowzer collapsed at a hearing. Ted assisted Mr. Cowzer until the doctor arrived.

HEAR Latrobe Valley juniors are broke. They're really worried now that Ron Barassi and his Rules men are giving soft drinks as bait to all the local lads who attend their clinics. It's no incentive for a penniless federation. SOS VSF!

GEORGE CROSS share their ground with Triestina. But what will happen when Triestina move to the Fitzroy VFL ground? My guess is George Cross will join them.

WE'VE LOST a promising young goalie to the other game but we deserve it. Last week 15-year-old Dandenong player, Ray Davies, hung his Soccer boots up because he couldn't get a clearance to Doveton. He wanted to be nearer home. But they wouldn't let him go.

GEORGE WEINBERG, popular Hakoah president, may not have to pay out for his 11 players for his promised trip to San Francisco if they win the league championship. "Frisco recently joined the rebel league and this forbids any FIFA club playing with them.

AUSSIE RULES took a leaf out of Soccer's book last week-end. They treated Pressmen at the interstate match to free beer during the interval. Soccer has been doing this for years. And here's another straight out copy. The VFL is planning their own magazine — Football Life. It's our title too. See top left page 1.

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What's going on here

What are the grounds and fixtures committee trying to do to Moreland?

The club has received a letter stating that the ground is unfit for Metro Soccer.

This is nothing new I know, but how long is this thing going to carry on.

It started at the beginning of the season when the ground was banned for use by both Alexander and Moreland and Moreland had to play all their games away.

Then the week before the games against Box Hill, VSF officials inspected the ground but wouldn't give a decision.

It wasn't until 7.45 p.m. on the Friday before the game that Moreland were advised that the Committee had ruled again that the ground was unfit.

When asked what could they do at that late hour they were told it was their problem.

The result was they played on that Saturday without any alternative and no complaints from the Hillmen or the REFEREE who has since said that he felt the ground was O.K.

One excuse given was, what would Alexander say if we allowed you to play?

What on earth has that to do with it?

We all realise that State League grounds should be in better shape than Metro grounds as better Soccer is supposedly played.

The latest letter, I understand, was prompted by a complaint from the reserve referee of the Moreland-Brunswick game who said the ground was dangerous.

This is not good enough. How can one Metro ground be condemned when others have not been sighted, especially on a letter complaint.

OTHER GROUNDS

I've said I would name other grounds in comparable shape to Morelands', especially in the wet and I will.

I call on the GFC to inspect the grounds at Coburg, Elwood, St. Albans and Springvale (in the wet only) and see for themselves.

This isn't criticism of these clubs by any means and I know it costs a lot of money for up-keep of grounds in wet weather.

But until the GFC have had a look at these and a few more Metro grounds, Ringwood United's for example, I fail to see how they can condemn Moreland.

What's good for one is good for the other.

If Moreland don't use the ground some other club will for sure and who's going to stop them?

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St. Albans slipped back into second position following their 0-0 draw with Maribyrnong, on Saturday.

Ringwood City had to battle to get full points against Brunswick but it was enough to take them into the top spot for the first time this season.

In the relegation battle, Coburg surprised even themselves in winning 4-2 over Dandenong and it shows that they are not finished yet.

Both Sandringham and Moreland lost so the battle still goes on.

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St. Albans only had themselves to blame for drawing 0-0 with Maribyrnong as they had most of the play.

They had all the chances in the world but just couldn't score and Spiro Fragopoulos missed the chance of a life time.

Weiland missed at least two chances, Bluhm had an open goal and Klein missed a sitter.

This loss of a point could well prove very costly when the final reckoning comes, but the Saints are still confident of promotion.

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Ringwood City had to battle all the way to defeat Brunswick 3-0.

Jim Esspratiou was in fine form in the Brunswick goal and was not beaten until five minutes from the break.

Steven Atkins was the scorer from a cross by Bob Wyatt.

The second half was even at the start and Van Egmond was called on to make several saves.

After the interval Glykokalamos forced Van Egmond to make a great save.

Exchanges were even until the 78th minute when Bob Wyatt headed in from a defensive rebound. Brunswick appealed for offside but as the ball came off a defender Bob couldn't have been offside.

Five minutes later Steve Atkins made it safe with a header from another cross by Bob Wyatt.

Steve Atkins was carried off just before the end with a back injury.

Best players Ringwood: Bob Wyatt, Steve Atkins, John Orr. Brunswick: Jim Esspratiou, Glykokalamos.

McIVOR (George Cross) shows his kicking style.

Springvale returned to the winning vein with a deserved 2-1 win over Moreland.

Vale had the better of the early play but Moreland were first to score when Nigel Bevis hit home a pass from brother Mick.

Moreland held their lead until well after half time, before John Beasley was fouled and David Hyde converted the resultant penalty.

Vale were really on top and John Popplewell in goal for Moreland saved shots from John Collis and Sam Katsokazinos.

The winner finally came from Bernard van Kesteren who scored with a 25-yard drive.

Van Kesteren replaced Paul Rubens at the interval and he added a lot of drive to the forward line.

Best players Vale: Katsokazinos, Van Kesteren, Collis. Moreland: Heath, Nigel Bevis.

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Box Hill had a change of fortunes after last week's result and beat Sunshine City, 2-1.

But they had all the luck that was going and it started in the first few minutes when Micky Bannigan let fly from only a few yards and the ball hit Wilson in the face and bounced clear. Wilson had to receive treatment.

Box Hill took the lead at 12 minutes when Dick Rae scored from a penalty following a hand ball by George Fantana.

City forged into attack and Ray Pocock had the ball in the net with a mix up between Wilson and his defence atfer a free kick but it was disallowed as Pocock wasn't 10 yards from the ball.

Wilson then brought off a great save from a fine attempt by Ray Pocock.

After the break the Hillmen broke away and Roy Cochrane brought down Jimmy Mines in the area and this time Peter Keys scored from the spot.

City came back to finally score when Bobby Pocock beat two men and hit home a low drive.

In the closing stages Bannigan, Seenan and Ray and Bobby Pocock all had open goals.

Best players Box Hill: Keys, Bray, Rae and Wilson. Sunshine: Bobby Pocock, Seenan, Cochrane.

METRO SELECTIONS

1ST DIVISION: Ringwood City, St. Albans, Maribyrnong, Elwood, Moreland v. Sandringham (draw), Springvale.

2ND DIVISION: University, Prahran, Brighton v. Ferntree Gully (draw), Green Gully, Frankston, Altona.

3RD DIVISION: Waverley, Croydon, Heidelberg, Chelsea, Princes Park, South Yarra.

4TH DIVISION: Yallourn, Newport, Monash U. (bye), East Melbourne, North Carlton, Doncaster Rovers.

Coburg caused the shock of the day when they won 4-2 over Dandenong.

Bobby Malcolm set the pattern when he cut in from the right and hammered in a 35-yard left foot drive to give Coburg the lead.

Dandenong retaliated and equalised with a penalty by Mike Hall and then took the lead with a good move.

Mike Hall to Bobby Parker and on for Phil Bence to score.

Stan Sexton Coburg's centre forward, put his side on level terms and just before the interval gave them the lead again with a simple goal that trickled in with keeper Castricun looking on.

Late in the second half Stan Sexton completed his hat-trick from a pass by Johnny Ashard.

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Another unlucky side was Sandringham who were down 2-1 to Elwood but was the same old story of missed chances.

Elwood gained an early lead but Sandy nearly equalised but Andy Kocs missed an open goal.

Nevil Luyt playing in the forward line did equalise when he scored direct from a corner just before half time.

Sandy continued to be on top and Brian Murphy was outstanding as the linkman.

But Elwood were dangerous in breakaways and got the winner with Zielinski darting between two defenders to score from six yards.

Best players Sandringham: Murphy, Gadesby and Dimmock.

SECOND DIVISION

With Frankston being held to a draw by Ringwood, Altona have returned to the top with a 4-1 win over Park Rangers.

Brighton move into second position although percentage separates the top three. The bottom positions are unchanged as the bottom five teams all lost.

Altona without Jim Balish and Keith van der Poel beat Park Rangers 4-1 with three of the goals coming in the last nine minutes. Billy Coles gave Altona the lead which they lost when bad covering let Rangers in for the leveller.

Then came Altona's late burst with Billy Coles making it 2-1, Ziggy Jablonsky with an opportunist goal and Steve Herman completed the scoring.

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: if they never saw him

David Jack, writing in

THIRD DIVISION

For the second week running Chelsea were held to a draw by a team in the bottom half of the ladder and as such have lost their top spot to Waverley on percentage.

Flinders Naval Depot move from the bottom rung with two successive wins. There must have been a couple of ships in!

St. Kilda kept up their good record against Chelsea in never having lost to them at home.

Chelsea were lucky to get away with a point as the Saints had much more of the play.

Harris gave Chelsea a half-time lead when he shot home through a crowded defence.

The Saints equalised in a breakaway with Hank Meyer heading in.

Best players, St. Kilda: Cornwall, Meyer and de Neefe. Chelsea: Flynn and Catlin.

In the reserve game drawn 1-1 Brian Ogilvie scored for Chelsea.

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With only five minutes to play Waverley were only winning 3-2, but two late goals finally killed Croydon.

Terry Megginson with a header from a Leo Kinwell cross scored Croydon's first and the second when he collected a rebound after Vic Warbey's shot had hit the bar.

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Only bad shooting foiled South Yarra's bid for a point against Princes Park who held on to win 2-1.

In the opening clashes Louie De Marchi hit a post and Brian Harding hit the crossbar, as Yarra pressed.

Princes Park overcame this onslaught to take the lead with an inswinger from Skamakas and went further ahead when Skinos scored.

South Yarra got one back with Ian McColl netting but they couldn't improve on that.

In the reserves game drawn 2-2, Phil Walsh scored with a penalty the other being an own goal.

FOURTH DIVISION

Clayton caused another shock when they held North Carlton to a 2-2 draw and this could prove costly to the Carlton boys. The most excitement though was at Mooroolbark where the home side was held to a 6-6 result by Doncaster.

What a match! At half time Mooroolbark held a 5-0 lead but then the Doncaster comeback and with five minutes to go the Rovers were ahead 6-5 only for Mooroolbark to level two minutes from time.

Scorers for Rovers. Tom Pirie (2), and Morrie Russell (4).

METRO DANCES

- Altona hold a dance at Altona Youth Club, Civic Parade, Altona. Tickets $1.00 from John Mather at 65-8508.
- At Pascoe Vale R.S.L hall, Coburg have a dance on July 1. The address is Cumberland Rd., Pascoe Vale, and tickets are $1.00.
- St. Albans are having a "Ding" at St. Albans Public Hall, on July 15
- Please ring your reports through this Sunday morning between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. on 546-3068.

METRO MURMURS

- John Popplewell has returned to play with Moreland after two years' service in Vietnam.
- Sunshine City were successful in their appeal to get Billy Rogers back from Hakoah.
- Len Gilmore has applied for a transfer from Coburg after differences with the club.
- After a players' meeting, Sandringham have decided on a 4-3-3 system to get them out of trouble.
- Eddie Brady, the Sunshine City reserves captain, was rushed to Footscray Hospital after last Monday's Harry Armstrong Cup game when he collapsed. It was discovered he had a head haemorrhage and his condition at one stage was critical. He is now in Prince Henry's and we all wish him a speedy and complete recovery.
- Doncaster Rovers have signed Alan Cheale from Elwood.
- Moreland have protested that Brunswick played an unregistered player in their recent encounter and also about the conduct of their players and officials.
- Dave Oxton, the former Makedonia and Juventus star, has signed for Box Hill.
- 17-year-old Bogdin Roszak when dropped from the Dandenong first team recently, refused to play in the reserves.
- John Orr, the Ringwood City player, is a former Irish junior international.

BIRCH SHOULD BOOST S.A.

Billy Birch, former Crystal Palace forward, should give South Australia added thrust against Manchester United, on Saturday.

Birch has created a fine impression at right wing for Croatia since arriving from overseas two months ago.

When he was 17, Birch was regarded as the "golden boy" of English Soccer but a cartilage injury dimmed his brilliance.

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- No six-figure fortunes to be won on the Treble Chance this week. Littlewoods and Zetters have 15 draws, Soccer and Empire 13, Vernons and Copes 11.
- Claim by telegram with maximum points on Vernons, Copes, Empire and Soccer, and by registered letter on Littlewoods and Zetters.

N.S.W. DIVISIONS
Adamstown 1 Awaba 2
Prague 4 S. Coast 4
Bankstown 2 Marconi 1
Lane Cove 0 Sutherland 2

QUEENSLAND DIVISIONS
Latrobe 4 Merton 4
Thistle 0 St. Helens 1
Bardon 2 Germania 5
Easts 3 G.A.P. 2
Polonia 3 Mitchelton 1
Wynnum 2 Newmarket 4

VICTORIA STATE LEAGUE
Croatia 2 Alexander 1
Melbourne 2 Hakoah 1
Polonia 1 Juventus 4

VICTORIA—DIVISION I
Box Hill 2 Sunshine C. 1
Coburg 4 Dandenong 2
Sandringham 1 Austria 2
Springvale 2 Moreland 1
Triestina 0 St. Albans 0
Wilhelmina 3 Athena 0

VICTORIA—DIVISION II
Albion R. 3 University 1
Bayswater 0 Brighton 1
Ferntree 7 Prahran 0
Pk. Rangers 1 Altona 4
Richmond 2 Ajax 0
Ringwood 0 Frankston 0

VICTORIA—DIVISION III
Croydon 2 Waverley 5
Flinders 4 Glenroy 1
Heidelberg 3 Moorabbin 0
Keilor 3 Essendon 1
St. Kilda 1 Chelsea 1
S. Yarra 1 Hercules 2

VICTORIA—DIVISION IV
I.C.I. 1 Yallourn 7
Monash 3 Newport 0
Mooroolbark 6 Doncaster 6
Olympic 2 Clayton 2
Rosebud 0 Mornington 1

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—DIVISION I
Austria 1 Juventus 3
Budapest 0 Polonia 0
Croatia 2 Pt. Adelaide 0
Hellas 4 Elizabeth 2
Victoria 2 Lion 1

SOUTH AUSTRALIA—DIVISION II
Azzurri 5 Sturt 1
Beograd 0 Malta 0
Campbeltown 0 Cumberland 1
S. Adelaide 0 Birkalla 7
Windsor 6 Wakefield 1

WEST AUSTRALIA STATE LEAGUE
Cockburn 0 Swan Val. 2
Olympic 3 Azzurri 3
Perth C. 3 Tricolore 2
Swan Ath. 1 Cottesloe 3
Windmills 3 Cracovia 3

WEST AUSTRALIA—DIVISION II
Athena 1 University 3
Caledonia 0 Subiaco 2
Dalmatinac 1 Kiev 2
Julia 4 Maccabi 1
VOID ON COUPONS—Scarboro v. Macedonia.

WEST AUSTRALIA—DIVISION III
Bassendean 0 Northam 2
Manning 1 Victoria Pk. 1
Medina 2 Queen's Pk. 2
Sth. Perth 0 Sports 2

TASMANIA—SOUTH
Calies 1 Rapids 1
Eagles 2 S. Hobart 2
Juventus 3 Croatia 2
Rangers 1 Olympia 5

TASMANIA—NORTH
Devonport 5 Spartans 1
Rovers 1 Ulverstone 2

SYDNEY—Div. I: Concordia 1, Sydney Un. 1; North Sydney 3, Thistle 0; South Sydney 9, Granville 0.
SYDNEY—Div. II: Auburn 1, Warringah 2; Penrith 3, Gymea 1.

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STATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Melbourne	11	8	1	2	21	9	17
Juventus	11	7	2	2	19	9	16
Hakoah	11	6	2	3	25	12	14
Slavia	11	6	2	3	24	18	14
S.M.-Hellas	11	5	3	3	25	16	13
Croatia	11	5	2	4	19	15	12
Polonia	11	5	1	5	19	18	11
J.U.S.T.	11	5	1	5	18	27	11
Lions	11	3	2	6	13	19	8
George Cross	11	2	3	6	17	24	7
Makedonia	11	2	1	8	15	27	5
Alexander	11	2	—	9	9	30	4

DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
RC Wilhelmina	12	9	1	2	36	10	19
St. Albans	12	9	1	2	18	7	19
E. Austria	12	7	2	3	22	14	16
M. Triestina	12	6	3	3	24	15	15
Springvale	12	6	3	3	20	16	15
Sunshine C.	12	6	1	5	19	15	13
Brunswick	12	4	2	6	18	26	10
Dandenong	12	4	2	6	16	22	10
Box Hill	12	3	4	5	12	23	10
Moreland	12	3	1	8	18	25	7
Coburg Utd.	12	2	1	9	12	29	5
Sandringham	12	2	1	9	7	20	5

DIVISION TWO

Altona	12	7	4	1	26	10	18
Brighton	12	8	2	2	21	12	18
Frankston	12	6	6	—	23	14	18
Ringwood Utd.	12	7	3	2	27	12	17
Ferntree Gully	12	6	3	3	28	16	15
Albion R.	12	6	2	4	19	14	14
Richmond	12	6	1	5	28	32	13
Ajax	12	3	2	7	16	18	8
University	12	3	2	7	12	19	8
Park Rangers	12	1	2	8	18	30	5
Prahran	12	2	1	9	10	32	5
Bayswater	12	2	1	9	12	31	5

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Waverley	12	10	1	1	51	16	21
Chelsea	12	9	3	—	34	11	21
Keilor C.	12	9	1	2	42	18	19
Hercules	12	9	—	3	33	16	18
Heidelberg	12	8	1	3	21	16	17
Essendon	12	6	—	6	28	20	12
St. Kilda	12	4	1	7	22	32	9
South Yarra	12	3	1	8	27	38	7
Croydon	12	3	—	9	21	31	6
Glenroy	12	3	—	9	19	31	6
Moorabbin	12	2	—	10	15	51	4
Flinders	12	2	—	10	17	50	4

DIVISION FOUR

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Yallourn	12	10	2	—	77	11	22
Helvetia	12	10	2	—	64	10	22
N. Carlton	17	7	4	1	45	15	18
Monash Uni.	12	8	1	3	30	21	17
Newport	12	6	1	5	39	28	13
Clayton	12	5	3	4	21	20	13
Mooroolbark	12	4	5	3	33	33	13
Mornington	12	4	1	7	16	31	9
Deer Park	12	3	1	8	16	36	7
Doncaster	12	3	1	8	27	52	7
Rosebud	12	1	—	11	4	79	2
Lilydale	12	—	1	11	9	45	1

LATROBE VALLEY
UNDER 14's

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Yallourn	10	7	1	2	37	18	15
Moe	9	6	2	1	41	6	14
Monash	9	6	1	2	34	20	13
Fortuna	10	6	—	4	49	17	12
Pegasus	9	5	2	2	29	14	12
Warragul	10	2	—	8	11	42	4
Spartans	10	2	—	8	11	45	4
Wonthaggi	8	—	—	8	2	59	—

UNDER 12's

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Monash	10	10	—	—	55	3	20
Moe	10	7	—	3	35	15	14
Fortuna	10	6	—	4	21	23	12
Rangers	10	5	—	5	15	21	10
Pegasus	10	4	1	5	19	1	9
Newborough	10	4	—	6	11	30	8
Falcons	10	2	1	7	9	35	5
Yallourn	10	2	—	8	1	44	4

UNDER 10's

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Rangers	10	7	1	2	32	7	15
Moe	10	7	1	2	18	6	15
Newborough	10	6	1	3	34	7	13
Yallourn	10	6	1	3	18	15	13
Fortuna	10	4	1	5	20	12	11
Monash	10	4	1	5	13	14	9
Koalas	10	2	—	8	6	51	4
Rovers	10	1	—	9	1	31	2

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE
FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
W.A. Hellas	9	6	3	—	21	6	15
Juventus	9	6	2	1	27	7	14
Polonia	9	6	2	1	12	4	14
Seacliff-Austria	9	6	—	3	12	7	12
Burn.-Budapest	9	4	1	4	11	13	9
Croatia	9	3	2	4	11	10	8
Elizabeth City	9	2	2	5	9	14	6
Victoria	9	2	1	6	12	23	5
Lion	9	2	—	7	5	18	4
Port Adelaide	9	1	1	7	7	25	3

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Beograd-Wood.	9	8	—	1	30	9	16
Cumberland	9	7	1	1	27	11	15
Malta	9	6	1	2	33	11	13
Azzurri	9	4	2	3	30	17	10
Birkalla	9	4	1	4	16	12	9
Orange-Sturt	9	3	3	3	21	21	9
Campbelltown	9	4	—	5	23	26	8
South Adelaide	9	2	1	6	17	38	5
Windsor	9	1	1	7	10	28	3
Wakefield	9	1	—	8	10	45	2

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Para Hills	9	7	1	1	33	10	15
Salis. United	8	6	2	—	33	9	14
W.R.E.	9	6	1	2	26	9	13
R.A.A.F./R.A.F.	8	5	2	1	30	19	12
Don United	9	5	1	3	37	10	11
Adelaide Uni.	8	5	2	1	19	9	11
Modbury	8	5	—	3	14	13	10
Taperoo United	9	2	2	5	23	27	6
West Torrens	9	2	—	7	18	28	4
Mitcham	9	2	—	7	14	31	4
Flinders Uni.	9	1	—	8	13	43	2
Western Teachers	8	—	—	8	13	65	—

BALLARAT, GEELONG

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hamlyn Rangers	12	10	2	—	40	10	22
Bell Park	12	10	1	1	44	13	21
Corio	12	8	3	1	45	14	19
Indesco	12	8	2	2	30	21	18
Polonia	12	7	1	4	36	18	15
Geelong West	12	5	1	6	23	26	11
Ballarat City	12	5	—	7	20	28	10
Geelong	12	3	3	6	18	26	9
Geelong City	12	2	2	8	12	36	6
Mt. Clear	12	2	1	9	13	37	5
Wendouree	12	2	1	9	13	40	5
Kosciuszko	12	1	1	10	10	36	3

WEEK-END REFEREES

STATE LEAGUE
Saturday, June 24th

POLONIA v. ALEXANDER (Brooklyn Speedway) — Huddle, Greenwood, Mellings
CROATIA v. PT. MELB. SLAVIA (Olympic Park) — Lamb, Yelland, D. Lechner
MELBOURNE v. FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. (St. Kilda C.G.) — Armstrong, Walker, Connell

Sunday, June 24th

STH. MELB. HELLAS v. JUVENTUS (Middle Park) — Stafrace, Riches, Ward
LIONS v. GEORGE CROSS (Olympic Park) — Harrison, Delance, Bakens
PRESTON MAKEDONIA v. HAKOAH (Collier Res., Preston) — Contini, Browne, Slaarts

FIRST DIVISION
Saturday, June 24th

SUNSHINE CITY v. WILHELMINA — Maitland, Fetterplace, McKie
ST. ALBANS v. BOX HILL — Wootten, Tuffield, Vena
DANDENONG CITY v. TRIESTINA — Edwards, Sykes, Such
ELWOOD AUSTRIA v. COBURG — Verniers, Moorhouse, Keeler
MORELAND THISTLE v. SANDRINGHAM — Bartolo, Simko, P. K. Lucas
BRUNSWICK ATHENA v. SPRINGVALE — Pedler, Barrance, Dover

SECOND DIVISION

UNIVERSITY v. PARK RANGERS — Radulovic
PRAHRAN v. ALBION ROVERS — Howieson
BRIGHTON v. FENTREE GULLY — Blake
GREEN GULLY AJAX v. BAYSWATER — Thorn
FRANKSTON CITY v. RICHMOND — Dixon
ALTONA v. RINGWOOD UNITED — Randall

THIRD DIVISION

WAVERLEY v. KEILOR CITY — Finnegan
MOORABBIN v. CROYDON — Hartley
GLENROY UNITED v. HEIDELBERG — Lucas
CHELSEA v. FLINDERS — Muench
PRINCES PK. HERCULES v. ST. KILDA — Tisay
ESSENDON v. SOUTH YARRA (at South Yarra) — Molloy

FOURTH DIVISION

YALLOURN v. MOOROOLBARK —
NEWPORT v. DEER PARK I.C.I. — Francis
MONASH UNIVERSITY, bye
CLAYTON v. HELVETIC (at Helvetic) — Lazarich
MORNINGTON v. NORTH CARLTON OLYMPIC — Mather
DONCASTER ROVERS v. ROSEBUD — Seur

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE
Sunday, June 25th

UNIVERSITY GRADS. v. C.Y.M.S. GLENROY — Vena
FISHERMANS BEND v. LANGWARRIN ALLSTARS — McKie
CLARINDA v. CHADSTONE — Lirosi
WESTALL VW v. CROYDON 3rds — Such
SYDENHAM v. CARLTON — Turner
VICTORIA STAR v. YARRAVILLE — Ransom
WEST SUNSHINE, bye
WEST PRESTON v. R.A.A.F. LAVERTON — Weeks
FITZROY v. PARKVILLE — Barrance

Kokinos chases Jim Armstrong

Jim Armstrong, Hakoah striker, is still on top of the goalscoring list, but the young Hellas forward Kokinos is getting closer to him.

Also Reid, of Slavia, will be a threat for the top goalscorer, writes Stephen Kalus.

This is how they sta[nd] after the last round:

12 goals — Armstr[ong] (Hak.).

10 — Kokinos (Hel.)

9 — Reid (Sla.)

8 — Savage (Sl.), Hug[...] (J.U.S.T.)

7 — Abonyi (Melb.), [...]rie (Mak.)

6 —Vojtek (Cr.), H[...]fall (G. Cr.)

5 — Roseweir (L.), K[...] (Melb.), Monan (Ha[...] Kowalec (Pol.), McIvor [...] Cr.), Nestorides (Hel.).

4 — Barbazza (Juv.)

3 — Micic (J.U.S.T.(Przybylski (Pol.), Daminakos (Hel.), Kamboropolus (Hel.), Kazi (J.U.S.T.), Robertson (G. Cr.), J. McKay (Cr.).

2 — Adlam (Cr.), Bacovic (Al.), Dezsofi (Mel.), Ackerley (Hel.), Smith (Hak.), Purdie (Hak.), Jurecki (Sl.), Kerr (Sl.), Grosdanow (Mak.), Myers (Melb.), G. Murnie (L.), Swoboda (Pol.), Peterson (Hak.), Jim O'Neil (Hak.), Lockhurst (Juv.), Armour (G. Cr.).

Stein Names Team

[...]en get a kick with a 4th Division team. This proves beyond doubt that Soccer over here is of a low standard, so why send Scotland here?

That Scotland team was no better than a select 4th Division side in England, why name it Scotland and not Scotland "B" XI. Charles Scerri, 14 Davey St., Sunshine.

SIR — Hail the "Blue Angels", as so suitably nicknamed by a leading Aussie Rules scribe (Sun, 12/6/67).

I "walked on air" from Olympic Park yesterday and have not yet [...]

[...] be played yet.

The big reconstruction programme at Parkhead means it will be touch and go on the ground being ready by August 5. If there's any doubt, it will be switched to Hampden.

Celts have already had stand ticket applications from London fans.

Meanwhile, following last week's victory over Real Madrid, they have been offered a return — at the mammoth Houston Astrodome in Texas! Behind the plan is a syndicate who are working to promote football in the States.

"The likely date is early August, when we have heavy commitments," said manager Stein yesterday. "But we won't make a definite decision till we get fuller details."

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BALLARAT, GEELONG

Div. I: Geelong West 3, Mt. Clear 1; Hamlyn Rangers 5, Geelong 1; Corio 4, Ballarat City 1; Geelong City 2, Wendouree 1; Kosciuszko 1, Indesco 1; Polonia 2, Bell Park 3.

Div. II: Belmont 1, Bell Park 4; Ararat 3, Indesco 2; Geelong West 6, Mt. Clear 1; Hamlyn Rangers 6, Geelong 3; Corio 11, Ballarat City 0; Geelong City 2, Wendouree 2.

ASSOCIATION CUP, 1st ROUND

Byes: Hamlyn Rangers, Polonia, Indesco, Geelong West.

Ballarat City 3, Corio 2; Geelong 3, Wendouree 2; Bell Park 8, Kosciuszko 0; Geelong City 5, Mt. Clear 0.

2nd ROUND DRAW
(Played July 22)

Geelong v. Polonia; Bell Park v. Hamlyn Rangers; Geelong City v. Ballarat City; Geelong West v. Indesco.

RESERVES CUP DRAW
(Played July 22)

Geelong v. Bell Park, Geelong West v. Indesco; Geelong City v. Belmont Syrena; Corio v. Hamlyn Rangers.

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES
June 24 and 25

Div. I (Sat.): Ballarat City v. Polonia; Geelong v. Geelong West; Indesco v. Wendouree; Bell Park v. Kosciuszko; **(Sun.):** Mt. Clear v. Corio; Geelong City v. Hamlyn Rangers.

Div. II (Sat.): Ballarat City v. Belmont; Geelong v. Geelong West; Indesco v. Wendouree; Bell Park v. Kosciuszko; Bell Park v. Ararat. **(Sun.):** Mt. Clear v. Corio; Geelong City v. Hamlyn Rangers.

Dockerty Cup: Ballarat City and Bell Park will represent the B.G. & D.S.A. in the Dockerty Cup competition.

HE IMPRESSED THE SCOTS

Allan Marnoch, of Sydney's Hakoah Club, was the local player who created the biggest impression with Scotland's manager Bobby Brown.

"He could play for any first division club in Scotland", he said.

Marnoch, who played as the "sweeper up" in Australia's 4-3-3 system, takes advantage of his height to be almost unbeatable in the air.

John Watkiss was another Australian player who created a favorable impression with Scotland's touring party.

SUBSTITUTES — WITHOUT INJURY

Next season will see a change and the end of substitute players being used only to replace an injured man in British Soccer.

The International Board meets in Belfast this month and a ruling is expected to be passed which will allow a substitute to come on to the field whether a player is injured or not — **Jim Cook.**

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POOLS

TAFFY'S FOCUS ON FORM

VICTORIAN Soccer still leads in the Draws race — five last Saturday, two each in S.A. and W.A., with one each in N.S.W. and Queensland, making a total of 11 on the coupons.

Of course there are more Victorian matches used on Pools coupons and this could be a sign that they depend more on our Soccer executives who ensure that all fixtures are played.

The balance of the coupons were made up of 21 Away winners and 23 Home winners. So it looks as if for the second time since using local games this season that 24 points will be the top dividend in the Treble Chance payout, and I should remind all those lucky punters who have eight draws in the one line that the dividend will be high.

One lucky punter — he would not give me his name or suburb — rang on Monday afternoon to ask what I thought the prize money would be. He said he had eight draws in one line. I told him to wait for the telegraph boy on Tuesday morning.

The previous week when there were only seven draws, Littlewoods paid a seven-figure divdend on 22½ points (seven draws and a Home winner) while Vernons paid on 23 points, the seven draws and Away winner.

Here are June 10 Treble Chance dividends in sterling currency:—

LITTLEWOODS 22½ pts., £144,427 for 1d.; 22 pts., £158/4/-; 21½ pts., £85/14/-; 21 pts., £4/13/-; 20½ pts., £1/14/-.

VERNONS: 23 pts., £9375/3/- for farthing; no client with 22½ pts.; 22 pts., £108/13/-; 21½ pts., £50/9/-; 21 pts., £1/11/-

With all the excitement of the successful past season for the two leading Glasgow clubs, Celtic and Rangers, another famous club of that city has closed down. Third Lanark, one of the oldest and most famous of Scottish clubs was formed in 1868 and had won Scottish League and Cup honours in the past. When they were relegated to Division 2 in 1965 they were unable to compete with their famous neighbours Celtic and Rangers, with a result that falling support and losses brought doom.

Third Lanark's home ground was Cathkin Park. Glasgow, and they played in scarlet shirts and white shorts.

The Scottish Football League is not expected to replace Third Lanark in Division 2, leaving it with 19 teams next season.

Now that the first dividend kitty has topped the six-figure mark the first time this season there is no reason why it should not happen again soon.

Except for one week the number of draws here every week is on the increase, so notice must be taken of the goal averages, these tell what kind of attacking forwards a team has in the goals for column, and a lead can be taken to judge in the goals against to find out what kind of a defence a team has.

I do not like to see too much defence work but quite a number of teams are well-known for the way in which they concentrate on defensive play instead of attack. These points are all worth noting when looking for those hard-to-find Draws.

Following last week's games, here are the top teams in the interstate leagues:—

QUEENSLAND: Div. 1—Latrobe, Thistle, Coalstars, Merton, Hellenic. Div. 2—Azzurri, Polonia, Germania, Budapest, Easts, Wynnum.

W.A. State: Azzurri, Cracovia, Tricolor, Swan Ath., Cottesloe, Perth City. Div. 2 — Athena, Subiaco, Kiev, Dalmatinac, University. Div. 3 — Manning, Medina, Queens Park, Sports, Victoria Park.

Now for NEXT SATURDAY WEEK, JULY 1, the following should win at home:

TWELVE HOMES

*Apia (NSW), Latrobe (Q), Merton (Q), *Budapest (Q), *Juventus (V), *Slavia, *Wilhelmina, Ferntree, *Keilor, *Helvetic, Olympic, *Austria (SA), *Budapest (SA), *Hellas (SA), *Beograd (SA), *Athena (WA).

TEN AWAYS

*Prague (NSW), *Melbourne (V), *Springvale, *Frankston City, *Altona, *Hercules, *Juventus (SA), Malta (SA), Birkalla (SA), *Azzurri (WA), *Cottesloe (WA), *Cracovia (WA), Dalmatinac (WA), Kiev (WA).

THREE DRAWS

Box Hill v. Dandenong, Richmond v. Ringwood, Heidelberg v. Chelsea.

TREBLE CHANCE

*Hornsby v. Granville (NSW), Bardon v. Annerley (Q), *Polonia v. G.A.P. (Q), *Box Hill v. Dandenong, *Albion Rovers v. Brighton, *Richmond v. Ringwood, *Heidelberg v. Chelsea, St. Kilda v. South Yarra, *Croatia v. Polonia (SA), *Azzuri v. Cumberland (SA), *Windsor v. Campbelltown (SA), Swan Valley v. Tricolor (WA), Windmills v. Swan Ath. (WA), Caledonians v. Dalmatinac (WA).

* Indicates best selections.

GOOD LUCK — TAFFY.

RESULTS

RUSSIA

Tbilis Dynamo 1, Rostov on Don Army Sports Club 1; Moscow Dynamo 4, Tashkent Pakhtakor 0; Moscow Torpedo 3, Beku Neftyanik 1. Kuibyshev Wings of the Soviets 4, Leningrad Zenit 0; Kutaisi Torpedo 2, Donetsk Shakhter 2.

PORTUGAL

Sanjoanense 2, Porto 2 (aggregate 3-5); Beira 0, Braga 0 (0-3); Leixoes 0, Setubal 3 (0-6).

YUGOSLAVIA

Velez 0, OFK Belgrade 3; Red Star 2, Vojvodina 0; Sarajevo 2, Vardar 1; Rijeka 3, Dinamo 2; Radnicki 1, Celik 0; Zagreb 2, Sutjeska 1; Olympija 3, Zeljeznicar 2; Hajduk 2, Partizan 1.

GREECE

Ethinko's 3, Olympiakos 3; Aek 4, Proodeftiki 3; Panathinaikos 2, Heraklis 0; Aris 1, Apollon 0; Trikala 4, Vizas 3; Paok 2, Panionios 1; Panserraikos 2, Pierikos 1; Veria 1, Egaleo 3; Olympiakos won this year's championship.

The new season of the first division championship will open late in September.

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Under 14's: Monash 3, Wonthaggi 1; Fortuna 0, Moe 5; Pegasus 5, Spartans 1; Warragul 1, Yallourn 5.

Sydney games

This week's Sydney matches:

Friday night: Apia v. Hakoah, at Sydney Athletic Field.

Saturday: Canterbury-Marrickville v. Prague, at Arlington Oval; St. George-Budapest v. Polonia, at SCG No. 2.

Sunday: South Coast v. Croatia, at Woonona; Pan Hellenic v. Cumberland United, at Wentworth Park; Melita Eagles v. Hakoah, at Mona Park; Yugal v. Apia, at Sydney Athletic Field.

OPERATION FOR GEO. NUTTALL?

By MARTIN ASTON

George Nuttall, who played at right-back for Australia against Scotland, may have to undergo a cartilage operation.

This would probably put an end to any chance of the Apia star winning a place in Australia's team for the tour of the Asian countries at the end of the season.

It would be a blow because there can be no disputing that Nuttall is the outstanding full-back in the country.

The injury occurred in the opening match against Scotland and Nuttall subsequently had the knee placed in plaster.

"I'll know later in the week whether I have to undergo an operation," Nuttall told me, last Sunday.

"I've got to wait for all of the swelling to go down."

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Meet Victoria's State League XI

Willem SCHROIF (38) of Slavia; goalkeeper. Played as a first team regular for Slovan Bratislava for some 12 years and during that time was automatic choice for Czechoslovakia, including at the 1962 World Cup.

Henrie SURMA (21), of Melbourne; goalkeeper. Polish born, but a product of the Melbourne - Hungaria juniors, he is one of the most promising of the younger brigade.

George KEITH (24), of Hakoah; right full-back. Product of the Scottish juniors, he was at one time on the books of Arsenal then moved back to Scotland where he saw service with Morton before coming to Australia to join Hakoah about two years ago.

David HIGH (26), of Slavia; left full-back. Former English Youth international, he joined Reading's ground staff as a boy then signed full professional forms on his 17th birthday there before joining Slavia nearly three years ago.

Billy COOK (28), of Slavia; centre half. From the Ayrshire Juniors he joined local senior club, Kilmarnoch. An automatic choice for Victoria, he played in Australia's World Cup side in Cambodia against North Korea. Experienced and very dependable.

Tom RANDLES (28), of Slavia; right half. An Englishman who was with Stoke City and non-league side Ellsmere Port. Appeared in the Stoke first team and was on this club's books at the same time as Jim Adam, the Australian assistant coach.

John HENDERSON (31), of S.M. Hellas; wing half or inside forward. Product of Glasgow juniors, he spent a considerable time with Stoke City where he chalked up many first team games. Returned to Scotland and played with Greenock Morton. Played in both of Australia's World Cup matches in Cambodia against North Korea.

Attila ABONYI (21), of Melbourne H.S.C.; inside forward. Hungarian - born but a product of the Melbourne juniors, he appeared first in their State League side at the age of 15. Comes from the same town in Hungary as Peter Fuzes, the Sydney Hakoah 'keeper.

Frank MICIC (26), of J.U.S.T.: wing half. Has had more representative honors for Victoria than any other current player. Joined J.U.S.T. seven years ago at the age of 18 from Yugoslavia. Classy and methodical player who always seems to pull out his best on the big occasion.

Hamilton McMEECHAN (24), of Croatia; inside forward. Was in Australia's World Cup squad and went to Cambodia but failed to find a place in the team. Product of Glasgow juniors, he had senior spells in England with Carlisle United and Exeter City before coming to Slavia four years ago. Transferred to Croatia for a considerable fee in 1965.

Dick VAN ALPHEN (28), of Hakoah; centre half. Former first division player in Holland, he had several seasons with Wilhelmina before being transferred to Hakoah in the middle of 1966.

John SANCHEZ (27), of George Cross; wing half. A Londoner who was on Arsenal's books as a youth and then played with non-league side Gravesend United before coming to Slavia. Eventually transferred to Pan Hellenic and recently brought back to Melbourne by George Cross.

Mike JURECKI (30), of Slavia; inside forward. Polish. Played league Soccer in Poland. Represented Victoria many times. Played for Polonia (Victoria), Polonia (Sydney). Experienced player. Replaces Jim Armstrong of Hakoah.

Law's out in Sydney

By MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

Denis Law may be one of the world's greatest Soccer players but nobody in Sydney would care if they never saw him again.

His spiteful attack on Sydney's inside forward Ron Giles left a nasty taste in everybody's mouth.

Giles was knocked unconscious and later taken to hospital with a fractured cheekbone.

The laws of libel often protect the guilty as well as the innocent, but one fact can't be denied — every Sydney player who was on the spot declared that Giles had been butted in the face.

The crowd saw what happened and hooted angrily as Law left the field.

No wonder Law was not picked for the game against N.S.W. at the Showground on Sunday.

"This was one of the ugliest incidents I have ever seen", said Tony Horstead in the Sydney Daily Mirror.

David Jack, writing in Sydney's other afternoon paper, The Sun, under the heading of "Denis Law Blots Soccer Copy Book", said: "It's a pity England's Soccer aristocrats will always be remembered for an unfortunate incident involving their most expensive player, Denis Law".

He added it would be a good idea if Law was left out of the second game to be played in Sydney.

"He can expect little mercy from the Sydney players — many of whom had unprintable things to say about Denis the Menace", said Jack.

We have all read reports from England of Law behaving shamefully and being sent from the field.

It's a pity that such a great player should set such a disgusting example for the youth of today.

BAILEY FUND GETS BOOST

At the Croatia v. Alexander match last Saturday at Maribyrnong, Enver Begovic, Croatia's president and Board of Management member, took a collection in aid of the late referee Ken Bailey.

Enver collected over $40 which he has given to the fund.

The Ken Bailey fund which was launched in Soccer News last week is growing.

Referee Bailey, in his early 30's, died at a 1st division match recently. He leaves a widow and a son.

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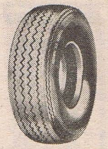
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BIG CUP IS OFF

By MARTIN ASTON

This year's Australia Cup competition has been called off.

This follows the decision that Australia's national team should make a six-week tour of the Asian countries starting early in October.

It is proposed that the competition should resume in 1968 on the lines of the European Cup.

This year's leading two clubs from Sydney and Victoria and the champion team from Queensland, Newcastle, South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania would play off for the Cup on a knock-out basis.

The decision to call off this year's Australia Cup is a logical one.

There would be little point in conducting a second rate competition while all of the leading players out of the country.

FINE REDUCED

The fine imposed on Sth. Melbourne-Hellas following last year's ugly riot at an Australia Cup match at Olympic Park has been reduced from $1000 to $250.

But the good behaviour bond on Victoria's champion club has been increased from $500 to $1250.

This was decided at last Saturday's ASF executive meeting in Sydney.

It also was decided that the two-year ban preventing South Melbourne from playing in the Australia Cup for two years would remain in force.

BIG TURNOVER

The tours of Australia by Scotland and Manchester United are expected to result in a turnover of about $250,000.

Scotland's one week visit is expected to show a profit of about $47,000.

The gross takings for the three matches came to about $85,000, while the cost of the tour is expected to finish around the $38,000 mark.

N.S.W. v. VIC.?

"We'd love to play against Victoria," the NSW coach, Joe Marston, told me.

And all of the NSW players to whom I spoke after last Sunday's game against Manchester United agreed with him.

Victorian officials should lose no time in making an approach to the NSW Federation for such a game to be staged in Melbourne.

It would be a terrific money spinner there.

Such a game later in the season could be used as a trial for a number of players in the running for a place in Australia's team for the six-week tour of the Asian countries.

I think NSW would win for a very simple reason.

This is because NSW's team has players such as Pat Hughes, John Watkiss and Allan Westwater who have the capacity to gain a grip on play in the middle of the field.

And this is where a Soccer match is won and lost.

BAYUTTI NOT TO TOUR?

By MARTIN ASTON

Australia's team director Jim Bayutti is unlikely to be able to make the tour of the Asian countries in October and November.

"It would take me away from my business for too long", he told me.

"I've worked for the Australian Soccer Federation for five years now", said Mr. Bayutti.

"In this time we've paid off Australia's debt to F.I.F.A. and have cut out all the baloney of the national groups fighting against each other.

"As well as this I went to England at my own expense and got Manchester United for a tour of Australia", he said.

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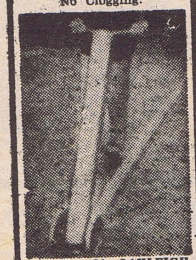

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Jim O'Neill on transfer

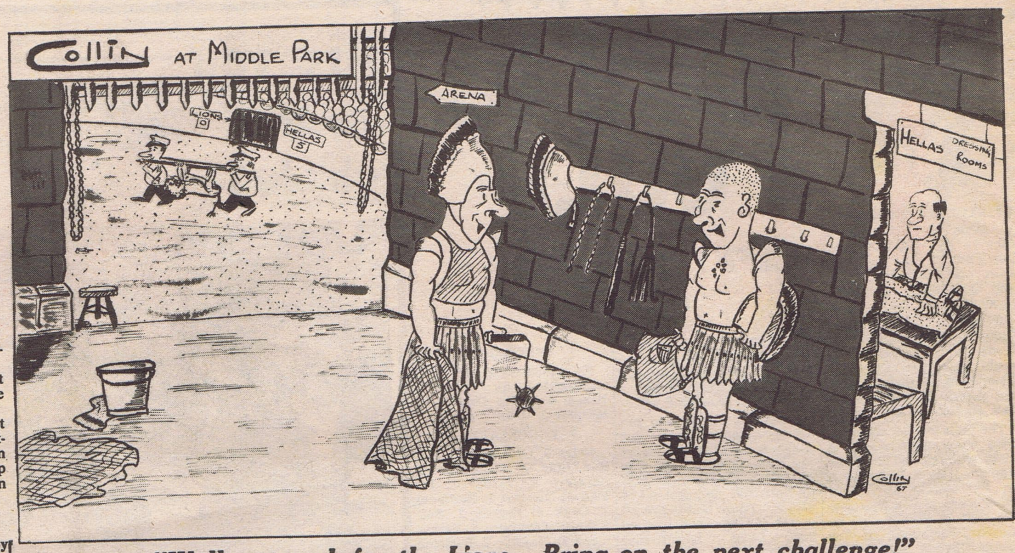
By JIM COOK

With the transfer deadline approaching, Hakoah have placed two players on the open-to-transfer list now they've signed John Anderson, from S.M.-Hellas, and Hans Petersen, from Wilhelmina.

The pair who'll be allowed to leave Middle Park, providing the right offers come along are:

● **Jim O'Neill**, wing half or forward who has played many first team games in his three seasons with Hakoah. Stands 5' 10" and weighs 11 stone 6, he's a native of Belfast and played with Sunderland and Walsall as a centre forward. Has three international caps for Northern Ireland.

● **Terry Conley**, wing half or forward who arrived in Melbourne late last year from New Zealand where he played with Auckland. Comes from England.



"Well, so much for the Lions. Bring on the next challenge!"

We'll play 2 games in Vietnam

From MARTIN ASTON in Sydney

Australia's Soccer team will play two matches in South Vietnam on the tour of Asian countries set down for October and November.

Hong Kong is another trouble spot where Australia's side will play.

Australian Soccer Federation vice-president Jim Bayutti revealed this in an exclusive interview with Soccer News.

Other countries where matches will definitely be played are Indonesia, South Korea, Singapore, Malaysia, India and Pakistan.

India have asked for Australia's team to play four full scale international matches.

There would appear to be no chance of any games being played in Japan.

This is because Japan is staging a pre-Olympic tournament in which a number of leading nations including Russia will be taking part.

There is no risk that Australia's selectors will stick to a nucleus of the players who did so well in the matches against Scotland.

The six key players for the tour will be Pat Hughes, John Watkiss, Allan Westwater, Ray Baartz, Allan Marnoch and John Warren.

We have a strong defence and players with the capacity to act as both a creator and destroyer in mid-field.

What is lacking is reliable goal-keeper a a couple of forwar with the ability to sn up a goal.

Attila Abonyi is a yo forward who is certain receive future encour ment.

And after Victoria's liant performance aga Manchester United national selector m turn his eyes South in future.

A touch of magic

By MARTIN ASTON

Manchester United brought a touch of magic to our Soccer in beating N.S.W. 3-1 in last Sunday's game at the Sydney Showground.

The local team put up a brave showing before the biggest crowd of the tour of 36,599.

The NSW captain and right half Pat Hughes enjoyed the distinction of becoming the first Australian player to score a goal against the masters of English Soccer.

And his goal in the second last minute of play was worthy of such an honour.

Hughes swung his left foot at a dropping ball and sent in a shot from just outside the penalty area which fairly screamed past Manchester United's goalkeeper Alex Stepney.

I have never seen a local team put up a better showing than did NSW in holding England's current League champions to a lead of 1-0 at half time.

But it developed into something of a cat and mouse affair once Manchester United gained the upper hand after the interval.

England's World Cup hero Bobby Charlton proved that his football is too dangerous to gamble with by scoring two of his team's goals. His second goal was one of a brilliant virtuosity.

Charlton was seemingly as quicksilver as he beat man after man in the NSW penalty area and finally hit a low shot with his left foot which went in off the far post.

But it was left to George Best, his long locks flying, to provide the star turn of the day with a bewitching control over the ball.

The NSW left-back Cliff Van Blerk might just as well have been chasing moonbeams as the young Irishman turned him almost inside out with his unpredictable dribbling.

Best would draw a NSW rival into the tackle like a spider beckoning a fly and then accelerate past him in a manner which looked ridiculously easy.

"I think our Soccer is starting to come of age," the NSW coach Joe Marston told me after the game.

"Our lads now know from first hand experience that even the players of Manchester United are not bogey men, but human beings just like anybody else."

Teams were:

Manchester United: Stepney; Brennan, Dunne; Fitzpatrick, Foulkes, Stiles; Best, Sadler, Charlton, Kidd, Aston.

NSW: Corry; Lincoln, Van Blerk; Hughes, Marnoch, Watkiss; Alagich, Baartz, Warren, Westwater, Giacometti.

Referee: A. Boskovic.

YOUNG PLAYER INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT

Luke Geradts, 15-year-old Langwarrin Allstars' centre forward, of 4 Glen Court, Frankston, was involved in a serious accident on Sunday night.

Luke was on his way home when hit by a car and received two broken legs.

He is recovering in Ward 3, South, at Prince Henry's Hospital.

Luke will be in hospital for about four months.

He's very disappointed because he was one of a party of 12 boys who were going by bus to see Manchester United at Olympic Park, tonight.

Now the coach will call at the hospital on the way to the ground and the boys will see Luke, their star player, before they go to the game.—Fred Villiers.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 25

S.M.-Hellas v. Juventus (Middle Park).
Lions v. George Cross (Olympic Park).
Makedonia v. Hakoah (Collier St., Preston).

Reserves 1.15 p.m.; Main game 2.45 p.m.